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The takeover wave which

has been sweeping the Stock

Exchange looked set to spread to the nation's television

screens yesterday as Granada,

makers of Coronation Street

and The Jewel in the Crown

received an unwanted and unexpected £740 million bid

from the Rank Organisation.
If successful the hid would

create a £1.8 billion group

with interests from husiness

machinery to Butlin's by way

of hotels, motorway service

stations, cinemas and the-

atres, television rental and the

Pinewood film studios, in

addition to the Granada TV

Granada has the ITV fran-

chise for the North-west of

England, and its Manchester

studios have been one of the

main sources of ITV network

programmes since the launching of commercial television

five-for-mine share swap, and with Rank shares at 547p that

values each Granada share at 304p. There is a cash alternative of 275p.

violence

attacked

By Anthony Bevios

Political Correspondent The Prime Minister yester-

day condemned picketline vio-lence at News International's

Wapping works as disgraceful and urged Mr Neil Kinnock to join her in the attack.

But the Labour leader re-

plied during the Commons questions: "In condemning the

violence wherever it occurs, will the Prime Minister also

acknowledge the contribution

made to try to stop violence by

leaders of Sogat and the NGA

and the way they have roundly condemned those who bring their unious and their activi-

Mrs Thatcher recognized

what Mr Kinnock had said.

and added: "I am glad he totally condemns violence, I

hope on each and every picket line or demonstration wherev-er it occurs, and I would be

grateful if he would confirm

that." Mr Kinnock did not

Earlier, the Prime Minister

had been asked by Mr Jerry Hayes, Conservative MP for

Harlow, whether she would

condemn the violence at

Wapping-where there have

been 194 arrests since the

dispute began—particularly

He also asked her to per-

the attacks on the police.

ties into disrepute?"

Rank is offering a straight end of the affair.

interests.

in the 1950s.



Opposition leader

Recent Cabinet departures have left Peter Walker as the main 'doubting Thomas' within Downing Street. The Times profiles the Energy Secretary, whose reputation as leading 'Wet' rests on a broad base within the party.

Statesmanlike Review of Roy Jenkins' biography of Harry Truman

Blood and thunder The hare-coursing Derby . . . sabotage on the dog-track

Portfolio

The Times Portfolin daily competition prize of £2,000 was shared by two winners yesterday. Mrs Linda Coutts, of Chalfont St Giles, Bucks, and Mrs M E Chandler, of Milton Keynes, each receive £1,000. Portfolio list, page 20; how to play, information service, back page.

Black mob placated by Tutu

Bishop Desmond Tutu, the Nobel Peace laureate, yester-day placated an angry black mob after three days of fierce riots near the wealthy white suburbs north of Johannes-

in another development, a government prosecutor said he would withdraw charge: against Mrs Winnie Mandela. who was detained briefly in December for entering Johanbanned her from the city Troops move in, page 6

Gorbachov ousts rival

Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader, consolidated his position with the removal from the Politburo of Mr Viktor Grishin, aged 71, the former Moscow party chief and one of the last survivors of the Brezhnev "old guard".



Capsule ban

the sale of all non-prescription drues in capsule form to prevent tampering that recently caused a death Page 9

Historic trial

The trial of Gary Austin, aged 24, opened at St Albans Crown Court as a result of the first private manslaughte. prosecution since 1950. He is alleged to have helped a drug user who later died to inject Page 3

Bush victims

The bodies of three adults and three children were found near an abandoned station wagon in the Australian outback. apparently the victims of

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Budget tax bonanza planned for charities

multi-million pound Budget Day boost as a result of a radical change to the tax laws. Mr Nigel Lawson, Chancellor of the Exchequer is understood to have agreed in principle to introduce an American-style tax incentive scheme which will allow individuals and companies who make donations to charities to set them against tax.

The change, which has the enthusiastic support of the Prime Minister, is expected to lead to a massive increase in the annual income of charities, now estimated to be about £10,000 million a year. With Mr Lawson's scope for

tax cuts or increases in tax thresholds severely limited by the recent dramatic fall in oil prices, the charities package could form one of the most popular measures in his Bud-

Apart from campaigning by Britain's charity network, Mr Lawson came under strong pressure to introduce the changes at the turn of the year from four senior ministerial colleagues who have a close

interest in charities.

Mr Douglas Hurd, the
Home Secretary, Mr Norman
Fowler, Secretary of State for
Social Services, Mr Timothy Raison, Minister for Overseas Development, and Mr Richard Luce, Minister for the Arts, are understood to have submitted a paper to the Treasury outlining the advan-

Mr Brian Rix, secretary general of Mencap, the charity for the mentally handicapped, who has led the call for the tax changes, predicted last night that donations could increase by 30 per cent.
"If this proves to be true it

By Richard Evans, Lobby Reporter

Charities are set to receive a to charities who rely upon the instant response of generous doners. I am delighted and trust that the Chancellor will not dash our hopes on March 18," he said.

Mr Tim Yeo, Conservative MP for Suffolk South and former director of the Spastics Society, said:"I think without question that over the next four or five years a change of this sort could result in tens of millions of extra pounds being donated to charities. "It would certainly open up

the possibility of much higher income from companies and some increase in income from individuals.

The real potential is shown by what happens in America where companies do-nate something like 20 times the proportion of profits do-nated by British firms to charities.

Individuals and companies can currently donate cash to charities by means of cove-nants, which allows the recipient organization to reclaim the tax originally paid by the

But the covenant system has been criticized as inflexihle with donors being legally bound to give cash for a minimum of four years and having to fill in formidible forms for the Inland Revenue, Mr Lawson's changes are expected to be especially help-ful to the arts world, where there has been continual conflict over the level of government funding. It has been estimated within Whitehall that the changes could result in an extra £10 million to £30

million a year being raised. Charities, which have no general VAT relief, are exempted from income tax. "If this proves to be true it corporation taxand capital would be a tremendous boost gains tax."

tests showed that exposure to

personnel was not serious, but

further investigations were

underway. "We consider this a minor incident", he said.

However, he could not say

how much radioactive water

had leaked or how many

The incident had been re-

ported to trade union officials.

the local liaison committee

and the Nuclear Installation

It follows the recent escape

of radioactive plutonium mist from a huilding in the com-plex. BNFL said only two of

the 70 workers evacuated had

been contaminated, but it

later admitted that 11 had

A baby was born prema-

turely at Sellafield on Monday in the first birth at the nuclear

plant. The mother, believed to

be aged about 18 and unmar-

workers were evacuated.

Inspectorate.

been affected.

Second leak at Sellafield plant

The spokesman said initial

A second radioactive leak has been reported at the Sellafield nuclear reprocessing plant in Cumbria, only 13 days after 11 workers were contaminated in a separate

British Nuclear Fuels said yesterday that radioactive water had leaked from a frac-tured drain pipe karding from the huilding on the site where spent nuclear fuel is cooled in water before reprocessing.

Part of the plant was cor-doned off and a number of staff were evacuated. A Sellafield spokesman said last night that the break in the drainpipe had been discovered at midday, and was later

"It led to low active pond water being discharged into the purpose-huilt containment trench resulting in an increase in radioactivity in the imme-

diate vicinity", he said.

"The area was cordoned off

ried, worked as a secretary for and initial monitoring showed little potential hazard to the a contracting firm. Waste site planned, page 2

Interest rate optimism

By Sarah Hogg, Economics Editor brightened yesterday following official figures showing that an unexpectedly large surplus allowed the public sector to repay £4.5 billion of borrowing in January's public-sector surplus brought the borrowing months of the first 10 down to only £3.2 billion, less than half the full-year figure most recently forecast by the Interest rate prospects

borrowing in January. Money market rates fell far Chancellor.

Although the public sector enough to remove all pressure for an increase in bank base rates above the present 121/2 per cent level. The pound rose nearly a cent, despite a strengthening in the dollar, to close in London at \$1.4290.

Motorists may be able to claim back thousands of

pounds in parking fines after

being convicted under the

wrong Act, according to a legal

London's Metropolitan Po-

Act for parking offences. But

the relevant parts were re-pealed by the Road Traffic

Regulation Act on September

26, 1984. It was under that Act

that parking offences should

be brought, the expert said.

The aggrieved could seek to

have their convictions quashed

A London doctor yesterday won an appenl nt Knightsbridge Crown Court

through the courts.

expert yesterday.

January's public-sector surmost recently forecast by the

normally moves back into the financial year, official forecasts now look comfortably within reach.

Surprise surge, page 17

Loophole on parking fines He appealed against convic-tion and was awarded legal

According to one estimate, many thousands of people could have been wrongly couvicted and fined during the year ending January 30. But lice had sent out summonses under the 1974 Road Traffic since then the Metropolitan Police had been amending onses so that they were under the Road Traffic Regu-

By Richard Evans

against conviction under the

lation Act 1984, the expert The court heard yesterday that Dr John Keet, n consultant physician in Wimpole Street, was convicted by Wells Street magistrates in Decem-ber for failing to comply with parking ticket.

costs yesterday after Mr John Reckers, prosecuting, offered no evidence.

Mr Reekers told the hearing:" Dr Keet was summonsed and convicted under the wrong section. A conviction under the 1974 Act without reference to the 1984 Act cannot stand." Miss Renee Calder, defence

counsel, told the hearing she had pointed out the relevant sections of the 1984 Act to the magistrates Dr Keet was convicted by.

Judge Curtis Raleigh said: "The point is not that the the statutory statement of magistrates were in ignorance ownership in relation to a of the Act but that the learned clerk should have told them."

suade the union leaders to follow Mr Kinnock's example by rooting out "some of the Continued on page 2, col 5

Wapping | Land Rover rivals get bid deadline By Philip Webster, Political Reporter Land Rover will be sold to al Motors needed to find a

with Ladbroke - whose chair-man, Mr Cyril Stein, yester-day made stear that was the total last year.

(Granada's discussions with Ladbroke) indicated that they were obviously willing to con-

BL truck operation unless rivals can put together within two or three weeks hids which the Government and the Leyland board are convinced offer a better prospect for the

Rank makes £740m

offer for Granada

News of the bid provoked

another spurt on the Stock

Exchange yesterday, where the FT 30 Index rose 13.6 points

to close at a record of 1,234.3.

Granada shares shot up 68p to

308p. Sir Patrick Meaney, the chairman of Rank, said he had

first put forward the idea of a

merger last August but Mr Alex Bernstein, Granada's

chairman, said then that he preferred to stay independent.

at a lunchtime meeting yester-

day, when Granada again

A few weeks ago Granada

Sir Patrick said: "As, far as

we are concerned, that

broke off merger discussions

turned down the idea

The proposal was repeated

Britain's best

and photographs

companies' future. Senior ministers disclosed the new deadline last night and underlined their firm belief that the General Motors deal, at an advanced stage and which ministers hope will be concluded within the next few weeks, remains the best commercial bet.

It was also revealed that General Motors has always made it plain that Land Rover must form part of the deal. As Tory MPs continued to voice discontent at the proposed US deal, ministers disclosed that in addition to Lonrho and Aveling Barford, three other companies, two foreign and one British, have expressed an interest in Land Rover, and one other foreign company has expressed an interest in the truck business.

But no firm bids have been received. Although ministers doubted whether it would be feasible for the other companies to meet the mid-March deadline they gave an assurance that serious proposals will he given a chance.

But both for the Government and General Motors the situation could not be allowed to drift, ministers said. Gener- lan Hay Davison.

General Motors along with the BL truck operation unless rivals can put together within Government would face the prospect of putting in more money to sustain the husiness.

sider a merger and so we have decided to go for them. We

think n merger with us makes a great deal more sense than

one with Ladbroke. However

we don't feel that this bid is

The group has been study

ing a number of likely take-

over targets for the past year,

having only recently reorga-nized its own business after pressure from City institu-

Rank feels that Granada

will provide an ideal fit,

particularly in their joint oper-

ations of more than 100 bingo

and social clubs and motor-way service stations. But the

main attraction for Rank is

Granada's nationwide chain

of 650 television and video

rental shops, which contributed around 60 per cent of Granada's £64 million profit

Rank sees considerable po-

tential for selling holidays through the shops. It sold two million holidays last year

any any way hostile."

Ministers are unhappy at the opposition of Tory MPs to the deal, but believe they can ber. ride the storm. Mr John Taylor, Conserva-tive MP for Solihull, yesterday led a delegation of Midlands

councillors and union representatives to Mr Peter Morrison, Minister of State for Industry, to press for a British solution for Land Rover. He said afterwards that they had been "less than reassured". The Prime Minister's pref-

erence for the American op-tion was again evident in the The Government's position

Commons yesterday. among Midlands Tories was slightly eased when Mr Hal Miller, MP for Bromsgrove, backed the General Motors solution for Land Rover. Mr Miller, a vice chairman of the Conservative Party, said they had the resources and the markets to assure the company a successful future.

Lloyd's chief

Mr Alan Lerd, former top executive with Dunion, the tyres group, has been appointed chief executive and deputy chairman of Lloyd's insurance market in succession to Mr

Bar gets leave to fight for pay rise

The Bar won leave in the chairman of the Bar, in whose High Court yesterday to bring name the legal proceedings are its unprecedented legal challenge against the Lord Chan
Chancellor had a duty 10 cellor over his decision to determine fees on a rational limit the pay rise for criminal basis. "Figures can't be legal aid work to 5 per cent for plucked out of the air."

The Bar of England and A packed courtroom heard Wales, in the name of its Mr Thomas Morison QC ac- chairman, who was in court for the hearing, was seeking leave to challenge the Lord cuse the Lord Chancellor of acting illegally in failing to eonsult and negotiate with the Chancellor's decision by Bar over the pay increases, means of judicial review. After Bar over the pay increases, and for failing to comply with a 45-minute hearing, Lord his statutory duty to pay "fair and reasonable" rates of re-Justice Walkins said he recognized there is a case 10

Mr Morison, appearing for Mr Robert Alexander QC, the Solicitors' earnings, page 2; Details, page 5.

Israeli soldiers and armoured personnel carrier in the south Lebanon village of Khourb al-Salem yesterday. **Tests find** cracks in **BA** jumbo

nose ribs By Michael Horsnell

Emergency airworthiness tests by British Airways have revealed cracks in all six older Boeing 747s so far examined.

This was confirmed by the airline yesterday after the Civil Aviation Authority ordered further checks.

Fifteen of BA's 30 747s are of the early 100 series, dating back to 1971; internal checks on the other nine will be completed next month.

The CAA directive follows one to US carriers by the American Federal Aviation Authority. British Airways had aiready begun its tests.

Despite the widespread discovery of cracks in the ribs of the nose section, the CAA says that there is no reason to question 747s' safety. The CAA and the airline are anxious to quell fears in view of BA's impending privatiza-tion. The Government does not welcome the embarrass-

ment of current safety fears. Neither body could say how serious the defects were. But at out that they do not match the high concentra-

tion in five Japan Air Lines short-range jumbos. Mr John Chaplin, CAA director of safety services, said: "These aircraft are safe to fly; if they were not, we would have them on the

 Boeing has asked opera-tors to check bolts on the main wing flap, after two small sections of a BA 747 wing fell away at Boston last Decem-

ground.

Threat to kill Israeli captive

By Our Foreign Staff

the kidnapping in south Leba non on Monday of two Israel soldiers, yesterday threatene to execute one of them Israeli forces do not withdray from Lebanon before 7 pr

GMT today.

The group issued the warning in a communique distribut ed to the press along with photocopies of the identity cards and discs of two Israel soldiers, Joseph Bennech and Rahani Levichek.

We warn Israel of the nee to withdraw immediately and totally from all the village that were targets of the latest Israeli invasion", the communique said, in n reference to the wide-ranging Israeli search operation for the two soldiers. Israeli troops swept through south Lebanon yesterday, kill-

ing at least three guerrillas and losing a soldier in clashes with Shia Muslim fundamentalist militiamen, security The guerrillas were killed,

and three others wounded, at Srifa, 10 miles north of Israel's "security zone". Four other fighters were wounded at the village of Kabrikha, four miles south-west, Muslim mi-litia officials said. Gunnen positioned on the const shot and killed an Israeli

corporal on board n Nnvy vessel patrolling near the port of Tyre, 46 miles south of Beirut, the Israeli Defence Force said. It identified him as Corporal Daniel Amar, aged 9, of Natanya. Lebanese police

said there was fierce combat yesterday afternoon at Deir Kifa, 1.5 miles south of Srifa. Helicopters were trying to land paratroops at the scene. One helicopter was downed near Tyre, the sources

An Israeli column of 25 rehicles was seen moving to Tebnine, three miles north of the security zone. Earlier, Israeli military officials claimed there was no resislance. The officials said two of the guerrillas who took part in the kidnapping were arrested

in the sweep.
In the village of Khirbet
Selm, Israeli troops rounded
up prisoners while armoured personnel carriers blocked access to the area and helicopter

A driver on one approach road crashed his car into the ditch in panic as n helicopter began firing a 20mm Gntling gun over hills and valleys The Israeli Defence Minis-

ter, Mr Yitzhak Rabin, visited the security zone yesterday and said that the Israeli forces had already uncovered large arms deposits. He said that the IDF would return to its previous mode of operations in south Lebanon as soon as this operation produced the de-sired results.

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Premier Portfolio

Young workers on a Community

Programme project (above) with a

George III cannon found during

the unearthing of the seventeenth-

century Amhurst Fort overlooking

The programme, praised by Mrs Margaret Thatcher on tele-

vision on Monday as a "pretty good capital programme", has so far given nearly half a million

By Lawrence Lever The lower paid are paying

more in tax and national

insurance than when the Con-

servative Government came

to power, according to the Institute of Fiscal Studies.

Average gross weekly earn-

ings for a male teacher at a secondary school in 1979, were £93.44, of which about

28.53 per cent was deducted its

income tax and national in-

surance contributions. Last

year, average earnings were £169.90, while the tax burden

Nurses are paying slightly

less than 5 per cent more of earnings in tax and national

gang get 15 years

Three members of a multi-

million pound banknote forg-

ery ring, smashed by a James

Bond-style undercover detec-

The men were arrested in an

operation by a detective iden-

tified only as Sergeant Henry.

tive, were jailed yesterday.

had risen to 32.19 per cent.

Chatham Harbour.

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

Liverpool, Broadereen.

• The final list of names of

recommended for expulsion

will be drawn up at a meeting

of the inquiry team today (Peter Davenport writes).

members of the national exec-

utive for consideration over

the weekend in advance of the

meeting next Wednesday when they will consider the

Mr Derek Hatton, deputy

recommendations for action.

The report will go to all 26

spoke vesterday of civil war in the party if the national executive committee carries out a purge of the Liverpool ral follow-up to tough action Labour Party and if there are moves to withdraw the wbip from two MPs who support

the Militant Tendency. Reports that the just-com-pleted inquiry into the Liverpool party could bring its disbandment and the expulsion of several Militant supporters have provoked anger on the left.

Yesterday Mr Eric Heffer, MP for Liverpool, Walton, wrote in a letter to Labour's general secretary. Mr Larry Whitty: "A witch-hunt against Liverpool party members and some MPs will not satisfy the right-wing Press. What can happen is civil war within the party, and if that occurs we leader of Liverpool City shall be handing electoral Council and Mr Tony

A senior Labour left-winger success to the SDP-Liberal Mulhearn, president of the Alliance. district party, are thought Some members of the cencertain to be expelled. tre-right believe that the natu-

Some sources indicated vesterday that any new constitu-tion for the Liverpool party over Liverpool would be the withdrawal of the Labour whip from Mr Dave Nellist, would stipulate that it would be able to draw delegates only MP for Coventry South East, and Mr Terry Fields, MP for from wards and constituen-

Yesterday Mr Ray Gill, the acting regional organizer for the party in the North west, confirmed that his office had Liverpool members to be received telephone complaints about alleged voting irregular-ities involving Mr Hatton. They centred on a meeting of the Childwall ward on

Monday at which Mr Hatton was elected chairman by a majority of one and, also by a majority of two, nominated for the chairmanship of the Broadgreen constituency.

Mr Hatton said be had no

comment to make.

Rethink decision, **Argentines urged**

British MPs were last night in the Argentine capital before urging four members of a visiting Argentine Parliamentary delegation to reconsider their earlier decision to reject an invitation from the Government to bold talks with Mr Timothy Eggar, a junior For-eign Office minister, later this

The group's British hosts, the South Atlantic Council, feared that if the Argentines persisted in their refusal to meet Mr Eggar, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State at the Foreign Office, this would be seen as a snub in London and would jeopardize the improvement in British-Argentinian relations which their visit to London this week had so far achieved.

Mr Cyril Townsend, the MP for Bexleyheath, and chairman of the South Atlantic Council which was set up to improve understanding between the two former Falklands foes, said last night that the situation was very con-

He remained hopeful, bowever, that the meeting, which he had initiated, would still go ahead on Friday.

He said that domestic pressures in Buenos Aires were behind their rejection of the invitation to meet Mr Eggar.

they set out, and that criticism had increased when it was

learnt that they might meet a member of the British Gov-The four. Senator Adolfo Gass, Senator Julio Amoedo, Senor Federico Storani and Senor Julio Bordon, are bere on a goodwill visit to hold talks with British Parliamen-

tarians. Yesterday the four held "friendly and constructive" talks with a group of British MPs led by Sir Anthony

Mr David Crouch, Conservative MP for Canterbury, said after the meeting that he detected indications of greater flexibility on the Argentine There were no signs of any

flexibility from the Prime Minister, however, when she referred to the Falklands during Question Time. I wish to make it absolute-

clear that the sovereignty of the Falklands is not negotiable and that the wishes of the Falkland Islanders are and will remain paramount," she told a questioner.

Earlier the Foreign Office had announced that Baroness Young, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, is to pay a six-The delegation's visit to day visit to the disputed than those Britain had aroused criticism islands, starting this Sunday.

Perks for lawyers in commerce

By Our Legal Affairs Correspondent

The earnings of solicitors in commerce and industry far outstrip those of their colleagues in private practice and are usually boosted with valu-able perquisites, according to a new survey by the management consultants Hay-MSL

More than half the 377 solicitors sampled earned more than £26,000, with a quarter earning more than £43,000, the survey showed. Perquisites are widespread, with nearly 80 per cent of solicitors receiving a car, with an average price of £10,000.

Among the senior job levels, the chief legal advisers, nearly all solicitors, receive a car. About 85 per cent have the subscription to their professional body paid.

There is a close relationship between age and years of experience, and average salaries rise by almost £1,000 a year from the date of qualification, with solicitors aged 26 (one year qualified) earning £14,300, rising steadily to £34,000 for solicitors in their late forties.

The survey is published shortly after another, which showed that solicitors in private practice had carnings which were significantly lower than those of other profession-

> During the trial at Leicester as the "James Bond" of the regional crime squad.
> The syndicate planned to flood Britain with forged £50

notes acknowledged to be "excellent" copies. Sgt Henry infiltrated the syndicate, posing as a crooked

businessman, after first making contact at a lonely Berkshire farmhouse. Sgt Henry said he received a

death threat from one of the gang while he posed as a crooked businessman wanting to buy £250,000 worth of



Royal jockey

if the resources used to in-Cutting basic rates will not insurance than in 1979, while crease allowances had been affect the numbers paying tax, Dud notes | NUT to continue

long-term unemployed jobs on

community projects at a cost of

£1.65billion (Patricia Clough

Although it cannot demonstrate it statistically, the Manpower

Services Commission (MSC), which administers the pro-

gramme, believes strongly that it

improves people's chances of get-

Taxing problem of the lower paid

used to cut the basic rate, there

The problem with raising

allowances is that this does not affect sufficient numbers

of those most in need: heads of

families with children who

find that an increase in gross

pay leaves them worse off by

increasing tax and insurance

contributions, while reducing

IFS says although about two million people would be re-moved from tax liability by a

30 per cent increase in allow-

ances, only 100,000 would

come from this category.

state benefits.

would be a rate of 26.5p.

writes).

secretaries and cleaners pay

IFS estimates for 1986 put

the average weekly earnings for a nurse at £130.31, with

29.24 per cent going in tax and

national insurance, leaving

In the last four budgets the

Government reduced the tax

burden by increases in the real

level of tax alinwances rather

than reducing the basic rate.

with a 30 per cent rise since

1979. It was this budget which

heralded a reduction in basic

·However the institute says

rates from 33 per cent.

just over 4 per cent more.

ting regular work.

have voted overwhelmingly for a series of short strikes in the next few weeks, in spite of the provisional settlement of the teachers' salaries dispute.

NUT members voted by three to one for continued industrial action, calling on Crown Court he was described | the union's 216,000-strong

Mr Fred Jarvis, NUT general secretary, hailed yesterday's result as "a resounding thumbs down" to the preliminary deal, which offers teachers a 6.9 per cent pay rise backdated to April last year, plus a further 1.6 per cent on

The deal will almost cer-

yesterday given leave to chal-

• The Assistant Masters' and called for a delay in introduc-

Mrs Patricia Davis, of

two children at Cowley, claims that St Helen's Metropolitan Borongh Council acted unlawfully when it decided to merge the schools next year.

Mistresses' Association, which has so far co-operated with preparations for the new 16-plus examination, has

survey carried out by the MSC of 2,500 people who took part in the programme in 1983-84 found that 25 per cent went straight into regular employment. Eight and a half months later 31

per cent of them had jobs. The programme was launched in its present form in October

(Photograph, Peter Trievnor).

tion of those people who would be or would almost be

financially better off on bene-

Nevertheless, the IFS says i

the Government was to spend

£6 billion on tax cuts, by a 5

per cent cut in basic rate, or a

30 per cent increase in allow

ances those earning less than

£250 a week gross would benefit more from the allow-

The advantage of raising

allowances is that all basic rate

tax payers will have the same

increase in net income, an

increase proportionally the greatest benefit for those on

BP again

cuts price

ance increase.

lowest incomes.

down in a pool of blood. could feel no pulse. Mr Constantinon aged 40, wa shot seven times with a ran .25 automatic pistol which used 30-year-old silver bullets

Tycoon 'dead in

locked

chapel'

fashion tycoon Aristos Constantinou an inques!

heard yesterday.
Mr Constantinou was shot

in the private chapel of his

£1.7 million massion is

£1.7 million mansion in Hampstead, north London, on New Year's Day last year. His widow, now Mrs Elema Nugent, had flown from the United States to attend Hornsey Coroner's Court. Mr Richard Velleman, of High Road, Finchley, said he was riding home when he came across a woman shoul-

came across a woman shout-

ing and screaming in The Bishop's Avenue, known as Millionaire's Row, in Hamp-

Mrs Constantinou told Mr Velleman she had climbed out

of an upstairs bathroom wil-dow and that two men. one of

them black, had locked her in

the room after forcing her to

Mr Velleman got in through the same window and broke open a panel in the lockell

He said he walked along a

dimly lit hallway and found Mr Constantinou's body face

open the safe.

A man's New Year's Eve revels ended when he discovcred the blood-scaked body of orug

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no longer available. no longer available.

As she arrived for yesterday's hearing. Mrs. Nugent was approached by Mr. Barnes Wilson, from Colimbale.

Avenue north. London Mr. Wilson said he had served a writ for an unpaid bill of 1224.78 for a correct to problem. £374.78 for a carpet to replace the blood-stained carnet.

Times man to head agency

Mr Colin Webb, aged 46, deputy editor of The Times, is to succeed Mr David Chipp at editor-in-chief of the Press Association, the national news agency. Mr Tim Morris chaiman of the PA, spil vesterday,

A former reporter with the agency. Mr Webb was edited of the Cambridge Evening. News from 1974 to 1982, and has held his present post follow years. Mr Chipp, aged 58; announced last June his intention to retire from the PA after more than 16 years. Mr Webli will join the agency on a date to be announced soon.

McGlinchey trial delay

The unal of Dominic McGlinchey, aged 32, once the most wanted man in Ireland, was adjourned for two days yesterday after a court was told he had dismissed his legal representative two weeks before the case was

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due to begin. Dublin's non-jury Special Criminal Court granted a defence request for an adjournment for further consultation over charges in connection with a shoot-out before his arrest in 1984.

Driving ban for Yarwood

. Mike Yarwood, the television entertainer, was fined £200 yesterday and banned from driving for two years after admitting driving with too much alcohol in his blood. Magistrates at Walton-on-Thames, Surrey, were told that Yarwood, aged 44, had a breath test reading of nearly three times the legal limit when he was stopped near his bome in High Pine Close, Weybridge, on February 6.

Riot case man wins damages

ing in the retention of stolen goods during the estate riots last October, which he denied.

executive car, but Jaguar decided to return to the woodmetal sculpture surrounding year, and nn Britain's roads by and-leather theme.

Continued from page 1 extremists in their own organizations".

Mrs Thatcher replied: "We totally condemn the violence which has been occurring and which we saw on the television screens on Saturday night on the demonstrations outside

"We understand that the majority were not thought to be printers. I nevertheless disgraceful they should attack the police in this way and we

they ordered their members to further discussions, depending

workers that they would be it did not wish to bother a dismissed if they refused to customer under stress. handle copies of The Times,

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The Sunday Times, The Sun and the News of the World. The newspapers have been distributed by road since the company moved to Wapping, but British Rail is anxious regain the contract, which represents about a third of its

has broken its contract and, "left as with resources for which we have to pay and from which we are getting no revenue".

company had not ruled out a return to rail distribution in black News International pub-lications. on how the Wapping dispute was resolved, but British Rail He also warned railway would do nothing yet because Asked what he would do if

the contract was restored but it, but we must get ou the unions blacked the titles, Sir Bob replied: "We shall do exactly the same as last summer when people refused to go to work. We sacked them. We are managing this business, not the trade

Mr Arthur Brittenden, a director of News International, yesterday denied that the company was considering printing its projected evening newspaper, The London Post, in Bouverie Street or Gray's Im Road, using old technol-ogy and some of its dismissed print workers.

Mr Brittenden said it was still hoped to produce the new paper at Wapping. "But the launch has been put on the back-burner for the time being while we concentrate on pro-

problems at Wapping sorted out first. There is no intention to allow Sogat and NGA members to work at Wapping, so far as the existing titles are concerned, and I would pre-sume that would extend to the Post as well."

• Two men arrested during #. demonstration outside the plant last Thorsday were bound over to keep the peace by Thames magistrates yester day. Two others, including # Kent miner, were bailed ac cused of obstruction and usingthreatening behaviour.

Parliament, page 4 Being The These-remote Austria Sch. 29; Beigiern B Ins 5% Canada Sch. 29; Beigiern B Ins 5% Canada Sch. 78; Ca

Specialists | clash at inquiry

again yesterday at the inquiry into the competence of Mrs Wendy Savage, the consultant obstetrician at the London Hospital who has been suspended since last April

Mr Gordon Bourne, the North East Thames Regional Health Authority's assessor in obstetrics, said he disagreed with the view of Mr John Dennis. Professor of Obstetries at Southampton University, that in one of the cases being considered at the inquiry there was in effect "no case

was in labour for more than 18 hours before a Caesarean delivery. Mr Bourne said he found it hard to believe that in the circumstances Professor Dennis would have agreed that the labour should contin-

Security clampdown on GCHQ computers By Bill Johnstone, Technology Correspondent

perts to ensure that government computers bolding classified information are spy-

proof. The British computer specialist, Logica, has been awarded a contract in partnership with Admiral Computing to test the security of sensitive government machines.

GCHQ computers contain highly classified material gathered by its staff when monitor-

The Government Commu- ing foreign broadcasts. The nications Headquarters material includes information (GCHQ) at Cheltenham, the on codes and deciphering subject of recent security techniques used by the British leaks, has commissioned example on codes and deciphering techniques used by the British leaks, has commissioned example on codes and deciphering techniques used by the British leaks. mitting top security informa-

The Americans have been particularly concerned about the general level of security in Britain, largely because of recent leaks and subsequent prosecutions. The first task of the partnership will be to test the security of the present computer systems used by

sensitive government agen-

Judge halts UDR trial

The trial of six Ulster Defence Regiment soldiers was halted yesterday when the judge dismissed himself from hearing the case involving the killing of a Roman Catholic.

Mr Justice Hutton told Belfast Crown Court be bad been prejudiced because the prosecution had unnecessarily

raised a doubt about the only witness to the killing of Adrian Carroll in Armagh City two

Princess Anne is to ride one

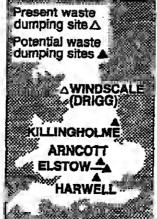
The five men accused of murder were remanded in custody. The sixth, who is charged with withholding information about the killing, speculation that she is expecting her third child,

£200m nuclear waste site planned for 1990s

between 1992 and 1995. It would be used for 50 years and kept secure for another 300 vears to allow the most active materials to decay to a safe Those specifications are

cal surveys in four places. The request has been made by the Department of the Environment on behalf of the Nuclear Industry Radioactive Waste Executive, Nirex, which is based at Harwell,

of the Earth and the Town and Country Planning Associa-tion, expect an attempt to



Nirex said yesterday the surveys would take between six to 12 months, and that a public inquiry would be held.

The sites include old clay workings near Elstow, Bed-fordshire; a former Ministry of Defence base near Arricott. Opponents, such as Friends Oxfordshire; a section of the Atomic Energy Research Establishment's grounds at Harwell; and land at an old bypass part of the planning power station at Killingholme, process.

wage claim action Members of the National National Association of Union of Teachers (NUI) Schoolmasters/Union of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers. • A St Helen's mother was

membership to take part in half-day walk-outs or individual stoppages.

March 31 this year.

lenge in the High Court a plan by the local education authority to amalgamate Cowley County and Rivington Coun-

tainly be ratified if it is ing the GCSE course to re-approved next week by the place O-levels and CSEs.

of petrol By David Young BP, which is set to amounc near-record profit tomorrow has again cut its petrol price in the wake of falling world crude oil prices.

National petrol stations Windlehall Drive, who has should fall by 2.7p a gallou to just over 181p. Other big oil companies are expected to amounce similar cuts by the end of the week.

However motoring organizations remain convinced that the nil companies can reduce prices to nearer 170p a gallon and still retain a large profit

Several of the smaller companies, notably the Jet chain, are already selling petrol at about 175p a galion.



Jaguar's luxurious new sleek look Designed to cruise beyond the headlamps, the awkward early 1987, will have three

the year 2000, Jaguar's new, tail lights and the excess of luxurious XJ40 was unveiled chrome. The XJ40 is about 200lb lighter, model for model, than The sleek successor to Jaguar's Series-3 is more nodern in detail, with no

single part being shared by the twn models, except the steer-ing wheel badge, according to CAR Magazine. Missing from the new car

are the bulbous doors and

the Series-3, and has more cabin length, more shoulder room and a bigger and more practical boot, CAR Magazine

The new Jaguar, tipped to be unveiled afficially at the Birmingham Mater Show this

straight away. The third, the 5.3 litre V12 model, is sched-uled for late 1988 as an 1989 Jaguar's new car, pledged to carry Coventry's fortunes on its back, was originally going to be an economy-oriented

engine options.
The first two, versions of the

AJ6 engine, will be launched

dicase £ hireat Mildren

Claudius David. aged 26. of Kenley House, Broadwater, Farm estate, north London, was awarded £950 damages against the police by Tottenham magistrates yesterday. He had been held in custody for 19 days accused of assist-

Thatcher condemns violence at Wapping

Wapping.

totally support the police." Outside of the Commons Sir Bob Reid, the British Rail chairman, threatened legal action against the rail unions if the long term. There would be

annual £27 million newspaper distribution revenue. It says News International

But the British Rail chairman said he was sure the

ducing our four existing titles", he said.

"We still intend to publish

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Leading specialists clashed

In the case, a girl aged 15

He agreed, however, that the management of the case would not be considered by mosi doctors to indicate in-

Couple fight Guernsey law in Strasbourg By Christopher Warman, Property Correspondent

An English couple, who were prevented under a thorities found that the Guernsey housing law from Gillows' links with the island living in their own home on the island, took their case denied them a licence to against the island authorities occupy their house. to the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg Mr Gerald Gillow and his

Yvonne, claimed that

their residential status, contravened the European Convention on Human Rights. They argued that the housing legislation was a "surrogate immigration measure" promulgated by connivance with the British Government.

the 1969 Housing Control Law, which stripped them of

The Gillows, now retired, moved to Guernsey in 1956. built their house and lived there until 1960, when Mr Gillow took an overseas post with a United Nations agency. During their absence they

rented the bouse to tenants,

hut when they returned in 1979

they found they were disquali-fied from the right of residence

under the housing law.

The Guernsey housing auwere not sufficiently close and

The couple have the support of the European Commission of Human Rights, which concluded that the denial of the licence violated various articles in the convention that guarantee the Gillows' right to respect for their private and family life and of being entiiled to the peaceful enjoyment of their possessions. For the United Kingdom

Government,

housing control on the densely populated island was "vitally important" and that the Guernsey authorities were justified in trying to stem the influx of newcomers. He described the Gillows' claim that the law was a subterfuge for immigration control and a "mere device to conceal anti-British policies" as highly tendentious; it

formed part of their "crusade"

DeV.G.Carey contended that

By Pearce Wright Science Editor

A land-based nuclear waste site for low-level and intermediate-level radioactive waste would cost more than £200million to build, the Cabinet has been told. The site could be ready

contained in a submission to the Cabinet for permission to conduct preliminary geologi-

Oxfordsbire. Government consent is expected this month.



Drug death case opens after parents' fight for private prosecution

Gary Austin, aged 24, made legal history yesterday when he appeared at St Albans ed that Mr Austin, now aged Crown Court on a manslaughter charge after the parents of his alleged victim brought a prosecution. private prosecution against

It was the first time this century that a private prosecution for manslaughter had been committed for trial. The only other similar prosecution this century was in 1950, but magistrates decided then that there was insufficient evidence to commit the accused.

The prosecution alleges that John Raymond Williams, aged 19, died after Mr Austin, a fellow drug user, had helped him to administer an intravenous dose of a powerful painkiller used in the treatment of terminal cancer.

Williams, a dairy worker, lived with his parents at Whipperley Ring, Farley Hill, Luton, Bedfordshire.

His mother, Mrs Pauline Williams, spent more than be used for injecting drugs. three and a half years since her son died in 1982 bringing the

ed that Mr Austin, now aged 25, had no case to answer. The DPP later took over the

Mr Austin, a dispatch rider, of Burton Road, Stockwell south London, is charged with manslaughter in that he un-lawfully killed Williams on September 2, 1982, and with administering,

Dextramoraminde, a Class A controlled drug so as to endanger life. At the opening of the trial before Mr Justice Staughton, Mr Anstin pleaded not guilty on both courts. Mr Alan Suckling, coursel

for the prosecution, said it was clear that Williams had taken drugs before his death. Earlier that day he had met a friend, Anthony Demon, who de-scribed him as looking flushed, but well enough to play football. Williams asked to be taken to Mr Austin's flat in Luton, which was known to

and heart massage. He was laid on the floor There, Williams asked for a wrapped in n quilt while the syringe, and produced a folded others watched television. He moaned, but he did not regain

pound Dextramoraminde.

it was normally adminis-

Mr Suckling said that Wil-

then went to the lavatory, from where he called Mr

Austin. Mr Austin injected

Soon afterwards Williams's face turned pale and his lips blue, and he became uncon-

scious. Mr Austin and others in the flat ntiempted to revive

him by putting him in a cold bath, rubbing his body with towels, and administering

mouth-to-mouth resuscitation

him in his righ! forearm.

After four hours he was placed in the street while Mr Austin called an ambulance, giving n false name and tele-phone number. Williams was pronounced dead soon after arrival at hospital.

A post-mortem examina-A post-moriem examina-tion found signs of acute cerebral and pulmonary ndoema—fluid in the brain and lungs-and traces of the drug in his organs and arm. The amount appeared to be below the normal clinical

Mr Austin was said to have told the police later: "I admin-istered the fix. I wish I had given it to myself." Asked by the police if he realized the potential danger, he said he had just done it as a favour.

In a further statement, Mr Austin was said to have admitted helping Williams to inject on several previous occasions. This time be had put the needle in the vein, but Williams had pressed the

Giving evidence, Williams's friend, Mr Denion, said that Williams had not been an habitual hard drug

He agreed that Williams had produced the Palfium pill himself and had not been given it by Mr Austin.

The case continues today.

Jan for addicts who killed

The dead youth's parents, Mr Ray and Mrs Pauline Williams, and, below, John Williams (left) and Gary Austin.

while under the influence of drugs were jailed yesterday. Unemployed Alan Walton had only a "hlurred and confused memory" of a series of assaults on his girlfriend's three-year-old daughter because of continued use of heroin and other drugs.

heroin and other drugs. Nicola Bushell died after being prodded with Walton's finger, punched, kicked and carlier hit with a hairbrush.

And after the last assault Walton had left to get somei. more heroin. Manchester Crown Court was told.

Drug addict Joseph Cariton-Armstrong's mistress died after he had beaten her with pieces of wood, but he then tried desperately to warm up her body.

He put her near a fire, which resulted only in scorching her, then in a hot bath and afterwards tucked her up in: bed. The girl's injuries would not have been life threatening. if she had been taken to hospital quickly.

And Judge Richard Lowry at the Central Crimmal Court

said medical evidence suggest-ed that Carlton-Armstrong's

Carlton-Armstrong aged
35. pleading guilty to the manslaughter of Susan Brady. 30, at their home in Vanhrugh House, Loddiges Road, Hackney, on December 1, 1984. He was jailed for eight years. Walton, of Dean Road. Gorton, Manchester, pleaded

not guilty to murdering Nicola. His plea of guilty to man

slaughter was accepted by the prosecution and he was jailed for five years.

Aids case no threat to children

primary school contracting acquired immune deficiency syndrome (Aids) from a pupil with the virus, a local community physician said yesterday.

Dr Alan Davies said the risk of the child with the virus developing AIDS was negligi-ble, with virtually no chance of its being passed on to other

The unnamed pupil, who attends the Trelales Primary at Laleston, near Bridgend, got the virus while receiving treatment for haemophillia.

A meeting of parents of pupils, to be addressed by Professor Al Bloom, of the haematology department al the University College of Medicinc, Cardiff, an acknowledged international exknowledged international expect, will be held next week to allay fears about the disease.

a wealthy family, left estate valued at £375,239 gross, £372,963 net in her will. pert, will be held next week to

£25,000 in will for two dogs

£25,000 by their mistress. To keep them in the lap of luxury. Well-known artist, Miss Mary Thane Jacob, an artist, of King Post, Rolvenden Kent, who was in her 70s when she died last August, left the £25,000 to her trustees, "the income to be used for the maintenance of her two pug dogs for a period up to 21 years. mamicnance of her two pug dogs for a period up to 21 years from her death?, according to her will, published yesterday. Close friend Mrs Peta Tay-lor-Junes said: "Mary loved

her dogs.
"She also left cash to other animal charities.
Miss Jacob's solicitor, Mr Richard Isaac, said: "The money has been invested and the income will be used to help

to keep the dogs. Miss Jacob, who came from

'Peerage' in three volumes

The winding-up of the company, Burke's Peerage and Baronetage, will have no effect on the publication of Burke's Peerage, one of the main reference books on aristocratic lineage, nor on its large ances-tral research programme, Mr Harold Brooks-Baker, Burke's publishing director, said yesterday.

A new and much bigger edition of the *Peerage*, the first for 17 years, will be published in the autumn, It will be io three volumes and will cost

The wound-up company, Burke's Peerage and Baronetage, had been set up as a subsidiary by Burke's previ-ous owners before the company was taken over by the Ravendale group two years ago. It had never served any purpose, Mr Brooks-Baker

Postmaster entitled to an earldom

the Turkish Empire.

"We know that in 1855 he

was in New York and Wiscon-

sin, but it was in 1851 that he

married an American heiress,

Abbie Lee, and possibly lived with her until 1860 when

records show he was back in

ondon fathering illegitmate

"In this case they do not

count, but we have to prove

Four years of detective work presented to the court of the Lord Lyon King of Arms in Edinburgh has established Mr Kenneth Murray, a retired postmaster from Gravelly Beach, Tasmania, as the eleventh Earl of Dunmore, Viscount Fincastle and Lord Morray of Blair, Moulin and Tillemett.

The ruling that will allow the former Mr Murray to sit in the House of Lords meant discounting nine other family lines with a prior claim. The problem was Mr Murray's great great uncle, Commander Augustus Charles Murray, n

Sir Crisph Agnew, of Lochnaw, Unicorn Pursuivant did not produce any legitimate to the Lord Lyon, who presented the Murray case, said yesterday: "Commander Augustus Morray left the British Navy in 1849 and joined the British Diplomatic Mission to

She was traced to Paris. The card index of American deaths in France showed that she died in 1920, aged 91, and left no descendants.

It was that record that allowed Mr Murray, a widower, the title, His son Malcolm aged 39, will be entitled to call himself Viscount Fincastle and his second son Geoffrey, aged 36, may call himself "the Honourable".

The new earl said he planned to visit London soon. He doubted that he would ever settle in Britain: even a title did not compensate for the that his marriage to Abbie Lee British climate.



Helpful children are honoured

Kristoffer Hanlihan, aged six, from among his friends. The television Brightlingsea, Essex, was among more than 150 children honoured yesterday in the annual Child of Achievement awards, at Guildhall, London.

The boy, born with deformed legs, is described by his mother as "full of life and joy" and has triumphed over his disability to organize games of football

personalities Leslie Crowther, Sarah Greene, Arabella Warner, Matthew Kelly and Nino Firetto presented the awards to children from all over Britain for their everyday efforts to help others. or determination to overcome physical disabilities.

(Photograph: John Voos).

Screening | of cancer criticized

By Anthony Bevins Political Correspondent

Fifteen English district health nuthorities were identified yesterday as failing to make any plans for screening women for cervical cancer, which caused 1,960 deaths in

Sir Gordon Downey, Comptroller and Auditor General, said that the Department of Health and Social Security should ensure that regional authorities rigorously monitored the progress of districts in rectifying the

He added in a report:
"Despite two reviews, the programme in England seems to have had no significant effect upon the death rate. There had been a fall of only 13 per cent in deaths from cervical cancer in the 10 years to 1923

National Audit Office investigators found that, while 127 of every 1,000 women were screened in the Mersey region, "consistently the lowest performer for a number of years", 260 were screened in the North Western region.

But Sir Gordon added: "It is a matter of considerable concern that as at June 1985, 41 authorities, representing some 20 per cent of authorities in England, still had no comprehensive arrangements for the 'call' and/or 'recall' of women in the priority group.

The 15 districts with oo firm plans" for comprehensive testing were: South West Devon, Peterhorough, Bloomsbury, City and Hackney, Hampstead, Haringey, Tower Hamlets, Hastings, Eastbourne, North West Surrey. Twickenham and Roehampton, North East Hampshire, Bath, Wycombe and Mid Staffordshire. National Health Service: Preventive Medicine (House of Commons Paper 229, (Stalionery Office, £3.80).

'Satanism' man's luxury cars

A man bought a Lotus sports car the day a "highly gullible" clergyman obtained £25,000 for him to finance an alleged crusade against satan-ism, Maidstone Crown Court was told yesterday.

Derry Knight, aged 46, had convinced the Rector of Newick, Sussex, that he needed the money to break his links with a satanic circle and buy its insignia to break its power.

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Mr Michael Corkery, QC for the prosecution, said the Rev John Baker had approached Mr Gordon Scutt, adviser to the charitable P & P

In a letter, the rector asked: "Please pray for Derry...he needs a great deal of prayer and divine protection."

The rector negotiated a loan of £25,000 from the charity on Navember 8 1984. "The date is of interest". Mr Corkery said, "for on that same day the defendant bought a Lotus motor car for £17,600." Mr Knight, a record produc-

er, of Dormans Land, Surrey, has denied 19 charges of dishnnestly nbtaining £203,850 by deception.

Mr Corkery also alleged that Mr Knight had "conned" £37,500 from Lord Hampden, a parishinner of Mr Baker, to buy a Rolls-Royce. "The rector said the defendant needed the Rolls-Royce to convince his satanist col-

leagues that he still had influence." Mr Corkery said that Mr Knight spent tens of thousands of pounds on jewellery, clothing and cars. He would pick up prostitutes and other women, shower them with gifts, and then leave them.

Mr Baker, aged 49, told the court that when he heard of Mr Knight's problems be immediately prayed. The case continues today.

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Labour furious at press briefing

LEYLAND ROW

In spite of strong Opposition representations, Mr John Biffen, Leader of the Cummons, rejected calls for an immediate statement on further developments in the negotiations over the proposed sale of British Leyland subsidiaries. Labour MPs demanded a statement after complaining that Mr Paul Channun, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, had beld a briefing for parliamentary lobby journalists.

Mr Peter Shore, shadow lead-

er of the House, following np earlier points nf order, said the Opposition now understood from this briefing that there were three more bidders in addition to those named on Munday for the Land Rover division. There was also the likelihood of a reference of the General Mutors bid to the Mnnopolies Cummission and it was understood that a bid adline had been set for mid-

This would give most compa-nies mly a few weeks to prepare, while General Motors had had nine months of proper negotiations. This was a matter for a statement to the House that

night.
Mr Anthony Beaumout-Dark
(Birmingham, Selly Oak, C) said
many MPs were determined to see a British solution. He urged the Opposition not to play "this mischievous and dangerous game" because if the message vent out from the House that they were continually trying to drag the issue before MPs it would be dangerous. There were enough watchdogs in the House for British interests.

Mr Terence Davis (Bir-mingham, Hodge Hill, Lah) said is had transpired that Mr Channon had found time to lobby journalists but was now saying there were no significant developments on which to make

Mr Andrew Fanlds (Warley East, Lab) said the matter was crucial. It was essential that the crucial. It was essential with the issue should be chased with the feeble figure responsible on the fee overnment front beach - Mr

Mr David Steel, Leader of the Liberal Party, said a statement then might be rushed and create an atmosphere of uncertainty. If there was not a statement later that night it would be best to have one on Wednesday or Thursday after the Cabinet had taken a view on what the Government's industrial policy was towards the car and truck

The Speaker (Mr Bernard. Weatherill) said be was not responsible for any of these matters. He could not force the



Biffen: No case for Government to make n state ment. There was an adjourn-ment debate on the subject later

and it was likely the minister

might be saying something MPs

nothing extraordinary about a minister seeing lobby journal-ists. Those tobby journalists knew no more than MPs. There was no question of policy commitment being carried forward. It was a question of accepting the good faith of Mr Channon. While controversy could carry on, he did not acco the undermining of Mr Channon's good faith. would arise on the adjournment but there was no

Mr Shore said the House was still dissatisfied. The adjourn ment debate would be taken by junior minister. He sought a statement on Wednesday.

case for an immediate state

Mr Biffen said the matter was inder constant examination. If the matter was to be conducted on the basis of dressing up a press lobby, then "we know what are the motives behind it." His final comments were drowned by loud Labour pro-

Mr Terence Davis (Bir-mingham, Hodge Hill, Lab) had earlier said MPs resented the fact that further developments in the BL saga were being divulged by means of the continuing practice of leaks and briefings, instead of a statement in the House.

How could MPs get a minister

to make a statement at the earliest possible opportunity? The Deputy Speaker (Sir Paul Dean) said it was not a matter for the Chair.

Mr Joe Ashton (Bassetlaw, Lab) said no one wanted to believe that the Prime Minister had been misleading the House just two hours earlier in what To protect her reputation, a minister should be asked to

Defeat on propaganda

HOUSE OF LORDS

An all-party amendment restricting the effect of the Local Government Bill in prohibiting local authorities publishing party political propaganda, was carried by 147 votes to 138, majority against the Government nine, during the commit-tee stage in the House of Lords. Lady David (Lab) moved the umendment removing the need for the test of reasonableness to applied to the effect of the

contentious material. The local authority associ-ations, she said, were all against the clause as it stood, believing it would make the day-to-day administration of local authori-

If the clause remained as it was it would restrict the information the public received about council policy and plans

courts would have no difficulty in applying the test of reasonableness as it was cone daily in the case of damages and negligence claims. The very words complained of, be said, had been included in the Companies Act 1967 by the then

Labour government and had worked without trouble for almost two decades.

Lord Denning, former Master of the Rolls, said be hoped the amendment would be rejected because the tests required in the Bill were already applied by judges. The judge had to go by the effect of a libel on the ordinary people, not the intention of the writer. Therefore the legal principle had already been decided.

Lord Kilmarneck (SDP) said there would be difficulty in distinguishing between material that might be the subject of political controversy or reflect and would also mitigate against the view of the majority party, publicity whethe work of the voluntary but issued in the interests of the increasingly local authority.

Lord Boyd-Carpenter (C) said the practical effect of the amendment had to be consid-

The reality of the situation was that there would be a number of people using very considerable ingenuity to drive a hammer and sickle through

Lord Cameron of Lochbroom Lord Advocate, said there was an abuse of power by a number of local authorities which had to of local authorities which had to be curbed. It could not be right to take money from rate and taxpayers and use it against parties which those rate and taxpayers might support. The amendment, he said, would seriously undermine that part of the Bill. The Govern-ment believed acceptance of the

ment believed acceptance of the amendment would remove any effective constraint on the use of public funds to finance at public expense, less immediately obvious, but still insidious, party publicity which was becoming government

seeking a bigger market

Land Rover and Freight Rover should have as big a market and as big a distribution network as passible. Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister said in the Commons when further questions were put to her about the proposed sale of subsidiaries of British Leyland

Mr Bryan Gould (Dagenham, Lab) called un the Prime Minister to confirm what she ap-peared to say on television on Monday night - that a firm like Land Rover had to choose between being British and being

LAND ROVER

Is it not despair about the future of British industry (he asked) which makes her so keen to act as broker for American Land Rover? Mrs Thatcher said there

should be very good jubs in companies here which had a great future and they should consider all the bids far BL which had been made.
Mr Anthony Lloyd (Stretford,

Lah) which major industrial power would consider selling off its last significant domestic car producer in n foreign power? Does she consider that h is part of popular capitalism that she should act as a broker for the United States?

Mrs Thatcher: British Ley-land - Austin Rover is a mass car producer which has only 4 per cent of the European market compared with other mass car producers such as Renault, Volkswagen, Fiat, Ford and General Motors which have between 10 per cent and 12 per cent of the market. It therefore has difficulty in competing.

That is the measure of the task and I hope we will succeed in getting more of the market. If there is a British bid for Austin Rover we should look at it very

Mr Antony Marlow (Northampton North. Ck will she hazard a guess as to why it is that Labour MPs and the odd Conservative MP seem to think there is something wrong with outward investment from this country because they say it destroys jobs in this country yet they also complain about inward investment from General Motors. Sikorsky or any other such company?.
Mrs Thatcher: Yes, I note his

cogent point that when we have inward investment in this country, as we did for example with Nissan, half the Labour MPs wanted it to go in their constuencies. They furget all

Earlier Mr Michael Meadowcroft (Leeds West, L): said that what was happening in the British computer industry, Westland, and British Leyland were not isolated examples of the determined effort by the the determined effort by the Uoited States to determine what happened in British industry. The Government did not have the ability to conver this control of the state of terrorism or the ability to counter this.

Thatcher Government to PM tells act on cocaine sniffing kits

DRUG ABUSE

A new offence designed to outlaw the sale of cocaine kits would be introduced, Mr David for Home Affairs, announced in the Commons during the third reading of the Drug Trafficking Offences Bill.

He said it would be made an

offence for a person to supply or offer to supply any combination of articles which, taken together, he knew or believed were likely to be used for the purpose of inhaling a controlled drug.

Belief on the part of the seller that the articles would be used for inhaling a drug for medical

purposes would be a defence to such a charge. He said the Government would pursue this issue ur-gently. It was possible such a provision might be regarded as relevant to this Bill and he would raise this with authorities in the House of Lords. If it did not prove practical to make provision in this Bill, the Gov-ernment would consider alternative methods because the House as a whole shared the

early action should be taken on the sale of these kits.

The sale of cocaine kits in
London had given much offence
to people. Indicating that the
incitement provision in the
Misuse of Drugs Act or consumer legislation would not be fective in this case, Mr Meller said the only effective action to the problem would be the creation of a new specific of-

One difficulty was that the component parts of a cocaine kit were everyday items sold for legitimate use, such as handbag mirrors and razors. The Gov-erament wanted to see that any form of new offence would not make it more difficult for heroin addicts to obtain syringes and needles, because of the increased risk of AIDS and heparates. titis brought about by re-use of such items and encourage ad-Mr Alexander Carille dicts to go to shooting go where needles were used by a number of addicts facilitating

the spread of these infections. The Government would want to reflect and consult further with interested parties in the Commons before reaching a final view on the best form of any new provision. Mr Robin Corbett, an Opposition spokesman, said the La-

bour party would be isoking to the Government to take urgent and effective action over the apparently new menace of cocaine sniffing kits. Parents and others were horrified over this Although the Bill was an important weapon in tackling

drug trafficking it needed backpiracy. Parliament would have no patience in the use of the powers under this Bill were in anyway blunted because of lack of training of police officers. this Bill was that the novel step of turning the seized assets back

encourage people to come off and stay nff drugs, and go to the aid of the victims of abuse and Mr Ivas Lawrence (Burton, C) said it was astonishing that the removal of the benefits of crime had seemingly become such a novel concept. To reproceeds of crime when a person vas sentenced must be anothe deterrent. The law-abiding citi-zen would think it right that an effort was made to stop the criminal enjoying the benefits of this most horrifying of all crimes, drug trafficking, which



Mellor: A short cut

was a crime of multiple murder. He boned the Government would not rest on its laurels This measure, although extremely important, was also very much overdue. It would not solve all the drug problems in Britain. More effort must be devoted to stopping the produc-tion of drugs and to educating the young about the appalling dangers of drug adiction.

(Montgomery, L) said there were MPs in all parties who had had to examine their con-sciences and make careful judgements as to whether they were prepared to countenaoce breaches of what they would sometimes regard as almost sanctified civil liberties principles in order to meet the needs of the public interest. He agreed with the minister when he spoke of the need for international cooperation. Much which was imed at in this Bill would fail unless true international co-operation could be achieved to prevent the cultivation of dan-gerous drugs wherever in the

officers, even in remote rural areas. There were many outside the House and many in the Lords, not shackled by electoral constraints, who still had some reservations about parts of this Bill

Kinnock: condemn violence

WAPPING

against the trainckers had not been taken. There had been a lack of imagination here. The public would have understood and applauded using the assets to set up a trust to help understand and combat addiction, rehabilitate and near Attacks made on the police outside News International's new printing plant at Wapping nere condemued as dispraceful by Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, during question time in the Commons. She arged Mr Neil Kinnock, Leader of the Opposition, to condemn the

Opposition, to condemn the picket line violence.

Mr Jeremy Hayes (Harlow, C) saked: Will she take this opportunity to condemn the violence and intimidation on the picket lines at Wapping, particularly against the police, and try to persuade the leaders and try to personde the lenders of Sogat 82 and NGA to take a leaf out of Mr Kinnock's book extremists in their own

organisations? Mrs Thatcher, Yes. We totally condemn the violence which has been occurring and which we saw on the television screens on Saturday night on the

We understand that the majority were not thought to be printers. It is, nevertheless, disgraceful that they should attack the police in this way and we totally support the police.

Mr Kinnock: In condemning ice wherever it occurs, will violence wherever it occurs, will the Prime Minister also acknowledge the contribution made by the leaders of Sogat 82 and NGA to try to stop violence, and the way they have roundly condemned those who bring their minous and activities into

what he said. I am glad he totally condemns violence, I hope on each and every picket. line or demonstration wherever line or demonstration wherever it occurs, and I would be grateful if he would confirm that.

Sympathy for injured Tory MP

Freedom of speech in univer-sities was vital, Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said in the commons, when the sympathised with Conservative back-bencher Mr John Carlisle who had two fingers in plaster following an incident at Bradford University.

Mrs Thatcher said she hoped the Conservative of Vira Contract.

the Committee of Vice Chancellors and Principals would make stremeous efforts to see that the right of free speech was upheld and MPs could speak freely in universities. Mr Carlisle (Luton North, C)

asked: Since MPs cajoy freedom of speech and the right to reply, that same right should now be whereby the drugs with which they were principally concerned, heroine and coasine, were not only available in cities like London, Manchester and Liverpool, but, be heard from police officers, even in remote rural to the control of House will agree that upholding freedom of speech in our institutions of higher education is vital. We would like to express our views to that effect. Freedom of speech involves saying things which are not acceptable to everyone.

> residents and he should visit the estate and apologise.
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> The Speaker (Mr Bernard Weatherill) said their was a motion on the Commons order

motion on the Commons order paper about this and that was the right way to deal with it.

Mr Kenneth Eastham (Manchester, Blackley, Lab) said it was not the first time this had happened. There was a similar instance in his constituency when a clergyman complained on behalf of all his purishioners about the conduct of Mr. Disk-

Minister urged to get tough over ferry

TRANSPORT

The British Government has not ruled out any particular. course of action over the finitire so far of a request by British Ferries Scalink for access to the Belgium port of Zectrugge, Mr-Nicholas Ridlej, Secretary of State for Transport, said in reply to a private notice question in the Commons.

British Ferries base been in touch with the Transport.

Department about their wish to serve Zeebrugge. The matter had been discussed with Belgium had been discussed with Belgium. Minister of Communications, Beirish officials had been in frequent and urgent contact will their counterparts. It was the Belgians had not responded.

Mr Robert Flughes, an Opposaid British Ferries were banned from Osiend. The lack of faith appeared to be on the part of the Belgian port authorities, rather than Scalink.

We are dealing the said) with the restraint of trade by the Belgians. Could this not be dealt. with by Section 14 and 15 reciprocal action to ban Belgia ferries from coming to this country? Mr Ridley could do that immediately, and without parlamentary approval, for 28 days, by which time the matter

could be resolved. The jobs of 250 scalaeers were at risk because of this dispute.

Ms Ridley said that when

company called RNT had come together, that resolved in the exclusion of British Ferres from British Ferries gain access to I am convinced (he said) it is

not the Belgian Government-rustrating that. European Ferries were en-

whatever way they wished. But -, it was offensive to deay British erries a chance to operate. He remained ready to use Section 14 if necessary. However, he' understood that British Ferries-might be modifying their pro-Zeebrugge. That was why it was difficult to take a decision natil the position had been clarified.

Mr Peter Rees (Dover, C) the British ferry company froma Belgian port was a breach of subject to operational diffi-culties. The British Government-Belgians resolve them. If British Ferries changed their plans, that could make more difficulty.

I am determined the shid) to see Belgian ports are open to us.

Sir John Ridsdale (Harwich.
C) asked how long there had been contact with the Belgian Government over this MPs.

expected strong action.
Mr Ridley said contact had been going on since before.
Christmas and would continue. Mr Keuneth Eastbam (Man-chester Blackley, Lab) said there should be far sterner action from the Government. There had been more than one letter to

the Belgian nuthorities and each scenned to be ignored.

Mr Rifley said the expressions of impatience by MPs. would strengthen his hand inachieving a settlement

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Committee's iobs claim rejected

long-term unemployment had played an important part in the Government's policies over the few years, Mr Kenneth Clarke, Paymaster General and chief Commons spokesman on employment, said at question time. The Government hadspent far more on them and put far more effort into them than

Mr John Evans (St Helens North, Lab), an Opposition, spokesman on employment, asked if be accepted that the asked if be accepted that the programme put forward by the Select Committee on Employment, which had a built-in Tory, majority, would create 750,000 jobs for the long-term more than been out of work for more than 12 more than

Until such time (he went on) as either this Government or the next one, adopts some such programme the long-term one employed in places like St. Heleas have no chance of ever setting a job

getting a job.
Mr Clarke: I do not accept that the proposals of the select committee would produce 750,000 new net jobs, but we will look at the Committee's report carefully and give a considered and detailed re-spouse in a White Paper.

Leaflet on car

As part of its campaign aimed at increasing the standard of winter driving the Government is to issue a leaflet to 22 million motorists on the need for good and efficient lighting. Lord Brahazon of Tara, a Government surfacement and driving question time in the House of

Commons (2.30); Debates of Opposition motions on strategic defence initiative and on mean ment of private tenants.

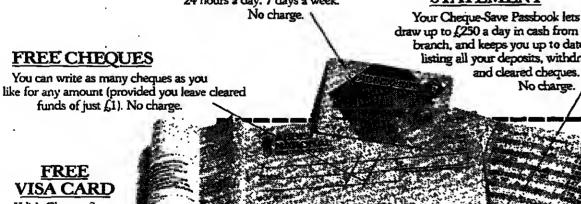
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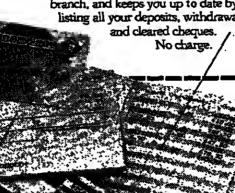
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MP launches **Bill on County** Hall's future

Mr Simes Heghes (Southwark Mr Sames stagnes (Southwark & Bermondsey, I.) was given leave in the Commons to bring in a Bill which would prevent the sale of County Hall, the headquarters of the Greater London Council, before the end of 1088

This would give plenty of time for a reasoned consid-eration on how best to use the building with the agreement of everyone concerned, particu-larly Londoners, he said. At the moment it could be sold on April 1 when the GLC was abolished.

Work on the Grade II listed work on the Grade it inten-building was started on what was marshland on the South Bank in 1912 and it had been the administrative headquarters for London since it was opened by King George V in 1922. He suggested it could be used for the time being as office for London MPs.

The Animals (Scientific Proce-

dures) Bill which repeals the Cruelty in Animals Act. 1876

and makes new provision for the protection of animals used

fir experimental or nther scientific purposes was given a second reading early today by 125 vates to 28. - Government

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Moving the second reading.

Mr Douglas Hard. Home Sec-

relary, said the Bill balanced the

clear duty in allow scientific researach using animals to con-

Apology sought for child brothel claim A Labour MP demanded in the criticized for irresponsibly passcommons that Mr Geoffrey ing unfounded allegations to the Dickens (Littleborough and Saddieworth, C) should go to the Holbrooke Estate in North Islington, unreseverdly withdraw his allegations of the Dickens which had upset local criticized for irresponsibly passirresponsible behaviour of Mr Dickens which had upset local criticized for irresponsibly passing unfounded allegations to the people of the area. It was the irresponsible behaviour of Mr Dickens which had upset local criticized for irresponsibly passing unfounded allegations to the people of the area. It was the irresponsible behaviour of Mr Dickens which had upset local criticized for irresponsibly passing unfounded allegations to the people of the area. It was the irresponsible behaviour of Mr Dickens which had caused a great deal of hardship and hurt to the people of the area. It was the irresponsible behaviour of Mr Dickens which had caused a great deal of hardship and hurt to the people of the area. It was the irresponsible behaviour of Mr Dickens which had caused a great deal of hardship and hurt to the people of the area. It was the irresponsible behaviour of Mr Dickens which had upset local irresponsible behaviour of Mr Dickens which had caused a great irresponsible behaviour of Mr Dickens which had caused a great irresponsible behaviour of Mr Dickens which had caused a great irresponsible behaviour of Mr Dickens which had caused a great irresponsible behaviour of Mr Dickens which had caused a great irresponsible behaviour of Mr Dickens which had caused a great irresponsible behaviour of Mr Dickens which had caused a great In the man irresponsible behaviour of Mr In the man irresponsible behaviour

draw his allegations of the existence of child brothels in the area and make a public apology. Mr Dickens said he had been criticized on Monday by Mr Jeremy Corbyn (Islington North, Lab) for a breach of the Commons convention that members should not visit another conventions or participated. other constituency without notifying the MP. He had been a great upholder of the conven-tions and traditions ever since

entering Parliament.
Where the safety of children is involved (he added) there may involved (he added) there may be times when one cannot ens.

always preserve the niceties of the workings of the House of life to place on record that arrests and prosecutions had resulted from information he

Commons.

Mr Corbyn said Mr Dickens resulted from information misled them. He has been had provided in the past. Control of animal tests

Detailed conditions limiting the severity of procedures would

be applied to each project.
The Bill also made new

provision for arrangements for the care of laboratory animals. and for the first time controlled the breeding and supply of animals used in scientific or experimental procedures. Mr Robin Corbett, an Oppo-sition spokesman on home affairs, said the Bill was inadequte. The machinery it

which represented a fair and

reasonable attempt to balance

planned to put in place, while being an improvement on the L876 Crucky to Animals Act. needed to be strengthened. His heart told him there should be a quick end to all experiments with live animals but his head told him that was tinue and the equally important duty to prevent unnecessary suffering and the unnecessary use of animals in scientific procedures.

There were a great number of diseases and conditions for which a solution, or improved treatment, was still urgently needed such as heart disease, cancer and AIDS, Safety testing. probably some way off. Many diseases were curable because of animal experiments and treatment was still needed for cancer. was also vital. Where beneficial heart disease, asthma, AIDS and drugs and vaccines had been developed they must be tested other diseases. Research on

animals had also advanced vetn ensure their safety. erinary practice.

The powers of the Animal Most cosmetic substances were tested without the use of cedures Committee should animals. But sometimes such be increased. The committee tests were still needed. The should be able to initiate action. Government would soon be without the need for the ap-proval of the Home Secretary if issuing guidelines on the use of the Draize test of eye irritancy designed to maximise the use of less severe procedures in eye testing, and the LDS0 test had it was going to have a properly independent role. Mrs Sally Oppenheim (Gloucester, C) said she whole-heartedly welcomed the Bill been increasingly replaced by limit tests. The Government

welfare of animals with the need to continue achieving medical advance. This measure was long Mr Michael Hancock (Ports-mouth South, SDP) said the Bill

did not go nearly as far as it should and must it created more red tape and encouraged the fear that licences and projects put to the department would be given an automatic A Bill that was almost empty without any prohibitions in it and did not say "You cannot do this to an animal" must be open

to all sorts of abuses and Mr Harry Cohen (Leyton, Lab) said many MPs had set great store by the new system of dual licensing, but how could anything with such a small inspectorate to implement it be more than a rubber stamp? How could anything where there was an Animal Procedures Commit-

tee of non-independent com-

position be more than n'rubber Sir Bernard Braine (Castle Point, C) said there were mas-sive gaps in the Bill. The truth was that it was ton little and too late and an acute disappoint ment. It would do very little to reassure the vast numbers of people who viewed animal experimentation, especially when it was for non-medical purposes, with disaste if not

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Fees decision fought on two points

QC's arguments win judge's leave for Bar Council's action

barristers on legal aid work fell

principle of fair remuneration

"We submit that the evi-

dence shows it was a common

understanding between the Bar and the Lord Chancellor's

Department that on receipt of

the report discussions and

negotiations would take place

with a view to their comple-tion at the end of January

1986 so that the regulations

could be made to take effect from 1 April, 1986, so that

they could be laid before

Parliament after that negotia-

tion process had been com-

Embarrassment

in Department

"Our legitimate expectation

was therefore denied with no consultation or negotiation.

"No meeting took place and

The only other contact that

occurred before the end of

January, apart from the correspondence, was a lunch he-

tween someone from the Lord Chancellor's Department and

a partner of Cooper and

Chancellor's Department at

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for work done.

day in the High Court to start its legal challenge against the Lord Chancellor, Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone. It was an ex-parte applica-

tion by Robert Alexander, QC, chairman of the Bar Council, for leave to seek a judicial review of the Lord Chancellor's decision to make regulations under section 39 (1) of the Legal Aid Act. 1974, as amended, to increase with effect from 1 April, 1986 by no more than 5 per cent the level of fees payable to barristers under the Legal Aid in Criminal Proceedings (Costs) Regu-lations 1982; as amended.

The case was put by Mr Thomas Morrison, QC, for the Bar, before Lord Justice Watkins and Mr Justice Macpherson in the Queen's Bench

Mr Morrison said: "We consider it appropriate in the circumstances of this case that leave should be sought in open court because, were the application to be successful we would seek an indication from the Court that the substantive hearing should take place

quickly.

The test for grant of leave is whether there is an arguable case for leave. The leave procedure is designed to weed out trivial or frivolous applications. In those circumstances I shall endeavour to be quite brief and not seek to confuse the matter any more than necessary.

"The nuh of this application is a letter from the Lord Chancellor delivered to the applicant on Februry 7. The applicant brings these proceedings not in a representative capacity, but by virtue of his position as Chairman of a sense of personal embarrass-the Bar and thus a representament on behalf of the Lord the Bar and thus a representative of the Bar Council.

"The way in which we attack the decision of the Lord Chancellor as being unlawful rests on two propositions.

der was notified by the Lord "Firstly, that the Bar had a Chancellor's private secretary legitimate expectation of beasking him to attend on ing consulted and negotiated. February 7. with before he reached his "On Feb before EGM of the Bar, he saw

decision. "Secondly, that the decision was made without such con- handed the decision letter.

sultation or negotiation.

The letter not merely disappointed, but doubly arises in two ways. Firstly, the disturbed", Mr Morrison said.

Lord Justice Walkins asked: which requires those who are tory powers, in the context of this particular case, should be say that in the public sector property consulted and negotiated with before that power is ble, and having done that he exercised.

Secondly, by virtue of past practice the Bar had a legiti-mate expectation of being consulted and negotiated with by the Lord Chancellor's Department before the Lord Chancellor exercised his pow-

Many barristers affected by ruling

"Mr Alexander's affidavit indicates approximately two or three thousand barristers, it is not possible to give precise figures, who practise exclusively or to a substantial extent at the criminal Bar.

"For the majority a great-part of the work is defence work and is remunerated by legal aid.

The power to make regulations must therefore be seen to affect the livelihood of a large number of practising barris-

"In making the regulations the Lord Chancellor is under a

duty to have regard to the principles for allowing fair remuneration for work actually and reasonably done. The Bar Council represents, protects and promotes the interest of all sections of

the Bar, including those who practise in criminal courts. and it is this body with whom the Lord Chancellor's department would negotiate. "It was essential in the

interests of fairness that the Lord Chancellor should give proper consideration about the levels of fees, as the 1974 Act did not allow for a free market

"In the special circum-stances of this case what the Lord Chancellor has the power to do will affect a large proportion of barristers. There is implicit in it that he shall negotiate with the only body available, namely the Bar Council.

"Their legitimate expectation stems largely from past practices and assurances which from time to time have

been given.
"We rely on three facts and matters," Mr Morrison said. "Firstly, the response by the Government to the Benson Report. You will see from the papers that the Bar had recommended a fees advisory body, and the one reason it had was because the then existing procedures were unfair and creat-

ed a strong sense of grievance.
"Secondly, the fact that there were consultations, and a degree of consultation both before the 1982 regulations were made and before the annual amending regulations.

Thirdly, the Bar rely upon

before the Cooper and

Lybrand report was commis- The point here in our submissioned, and after it was pub- sion is not that the Lord lished, to support our Chancellor has chosen the proposition that there was a wrong test. He has not adoptegitimate expectation of con- ed any test of fairness at all. sultation and negotiation."

The Bar's case is that there Referring to Mr Alexander's is no rational basis for the

affidavit, Mr Morrison said it present level of remuneration showed the present fees for or the present level plus 5 per cent, which the Lord Chancelfar short of achieving the lor proposes to introduce.

"The present level of fees is merely the result of accumulative and ad boc decisions taken over many years. "The Lord Chancellor's De-

partment recognises this was the time for introducing the regulations simply as holding regulations. They were introduced in haste, as a result of pressure on the Lord Chancellor's Department to effect greater control of crimi-nal legal aid," Mr Morrison

Here Lord Justice Watkins intervened and said: "I think we have heard enough, all we have to be satisfied about is that there is an arguable case and what you have told us seems to amount to that. So you have your leave."

Marcos ally on murder charge

Manila (AP) - A powerful political ally of President Marcos was charged yester-day with the murder in am-bush of seven opposition supporters on the eve of the 1984 National Assembly elec-

The Ministry of Justice said that the charges against As-semblyman Arturo Pacificador and six men described as his bodyguards were filed in home province of Antique.

Mr Pacificador is deputy

leader of Mr Marcos's New Society Movement in the Na-tional Assembly and is also deputy highways minister. He has already denied any volvement in the ambush a well as in the murder last week

of Mr Evelio Javier, his rival

for Antique's Assembly seat in the 1984 election. Mr Javier, the campaign manager for Mrs Corazon Aquino, was shot dead in San José, the capital of Antique. Witnesses said that the gunnen arrived in a vehicle owned

by Mr Pacificador. A soldier said to be linked to Mr Javier's killing is among those charged with Mr Pacificador.

 Uneasy peace: An uneasy peace has descended over the contending presidential camps



Students and workers protesting in Manila vesterday against US support for Mr Marcos as Mr Philip Habib, the US and outside, are worried that envoy, shuttles round the capi-

tal interviewing all parties (David Watts writes). The vast popular support for Mrs Aquino and her campaign of boycotting firms, banks and products associated with Mr Marcos's friends satisfies her for the moment.

She clearly believes that time is on her side and, judging from the confidence of the Aquino camp after their first meeting with Mr Habib, she thinks she has found sympathy there, too.

she may have lost the initiative in the struggle to dislodge Mr

The President had regain much of his commanding style when he met the press at the weekend, leading many in think that the sheer exercise of power had forced Mrs Aquino on the defensive

> "Peaceful means are not the way of getting any dictator out," said a left-wing lawyer who backs Mrs Aquino, but is becoming disillusioned with some of her methods.

on whether we are prepared to back up what we say with

25 9000 forgotten.

Mr Javier has become the

As many of the President's opponents know, Filipinos' political anger is like a brush fire: it flares quickly and is just

The concern for many is that into this seeming vacuum will move the left and radical Christian groups and Social Democrats determined to avenge themselves for the murder of civilians, of whom

to war against the Devil

Turin goes

From Peter Nichols Rome

Cardinal Ballestrero, the shocked the city by appointing six specially trained priests 10 deal with the growing demand for exorcism from people who believe they are possessed by the Devil.

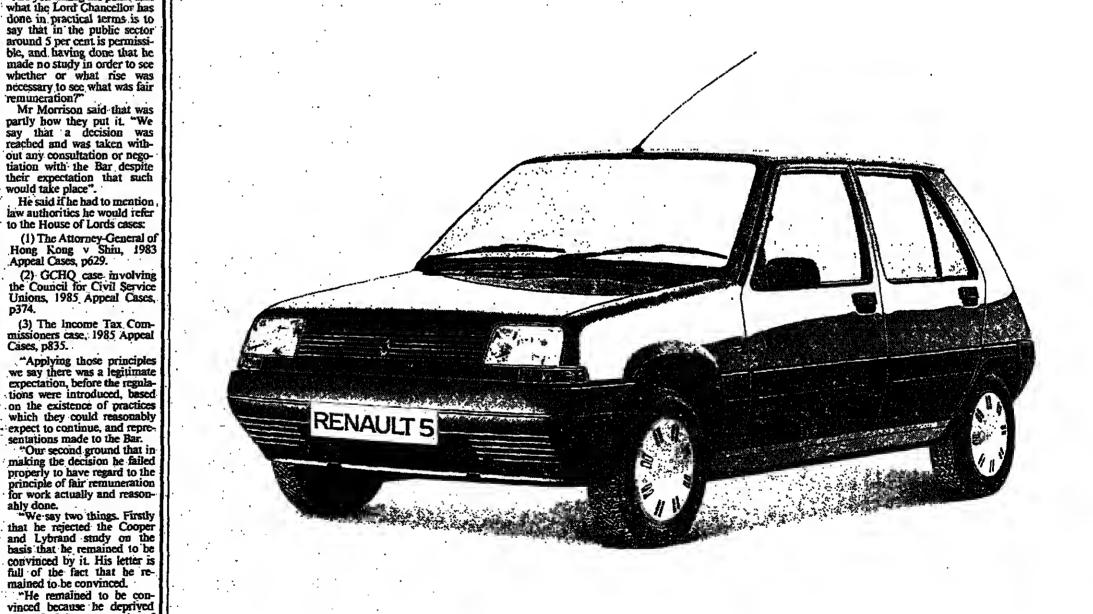
The fact that the Devil is making himself felt in Italy's preatest industrial city, rather than in some old centre of medieval learning or a city traditionally fied to ideas of leasure and licence, accounts for the sense of shock. Turin's character is rather puritanical.

as incredible the number of people who ascribe their troupossessed. His new appointments are drawn from priests with wider experience than

It would be a mistake, he says, to regard them as priests armed simply with holy water. They are expert theologians. anthropologists and psycholo-

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to shanty town as Pretoria admits 19 dead

black suburb of Alexandra, on hannesburg, yesterday as violence continued for the fourth day amid wildly conflicting estimates of casualties.

In parliament Mr Adriaan Vlok, the deputy minister of law and order, said that 19 people had been killed and 37 wounded since Saturday. when two funerals turned to protest rallies.

Mr Vlok said 16 were shot dead by police, two hurned to death and a black policeman hacked to death by rioters. Police in Pretoria had previously refused to confirm more

According to Mr Vlok. among the wounded 27 were shot by police: five were hurt by rioters, one being shot and four hit by stones; and five policemen were hurned in petrol bomb attacks.

Since Saturday, he said, 130 separate incidents of violence had been recorded.

Meanwhile Dr Beyers Naude, general secretary of the South African Council of Churches, who visited Alexandra on Monday with a delegation of churchmen, spoke of reports of approximately 80 being killed" and several hundred injured.

Heavily armed troops and police guarded every exit and

Troops were deployed in the entrance to the grim, dusty shanty settlement, which, unlike most black townships, lies alongside well-to-do white residential suburbs.

Armoured personnel carri-ers constantly patrolled the perimeter roads and all television crews and journalists Buerk and Mr Graham Leach. BBC reporters, were allegedly detained by police.

Earlier, police stopped a

march by an estimated crowd of some 30,000 Alexandra residents to a police station in the neighbouring white suburb of Wynberg where, according to local priests, they intended to demand the release of the bodies of those killed.

Some of the injured have

been treated in emergency civil defence clinics set up on the outskirts of the settlement. In the apartheid scheme of thines. Alexandra is an anachronism - it is the only black suburb left near the white residential areas of Johannesburg, its being black dates back to the beginning of the century, and it is one of the

icw places where blacks still have freehold rights. Similar areas, notably Sophiatown in south-western Johannesburg, were razed in the 1950s and their inhabitants moved to Soweto, 10

Troops moved | Duke sees conservation success story

From Michael Hamlyn Chitwan, Nepal

The Duke of Ediaburgh, on the Duke of Eduburgh, on the back of an elephant called Chanchal Kali — roughly "nimble lady" — was offered the chance of pulling the trigger of the Palmer capture gun loaded with a tranquilliz-ing dart. "No thank yon", he said. "rou do it." said, "yon do it."

His elephant and 26 others formed a circle around a profoundly nervous four-ton male rhinoceros, later chris-tened Philip, while the beast was shot in the haunch. It took ten minutes for the drug, known as M99, to work, and the animal linally lay on its side and slept.

A dozen game wardens scrambled over the slumberi beast, measured it and checked it, and fastened on it a bleeping radio collar so that it could be tracked in future as part of a hig conservation project in the area.

The last time Prince Philip was in this park (aow called the Royal Chitwan National Park, but then, in 1961, more simply known as the Royal Game Reserve) be also de-clined to shoot a rhino. He had a painful sore on his finger. The Queen, on the first fall

day of her state visit to Nepal. stayed back in Kathmandu, the capital, and had a quiet day in n royal lodge belonging to Nepal's King Birendra. "She probably spent the day reading Vogue", suggested one British diplomat. The reason was that she had arrived in the conatry just in time for Democracy Day, a major festival ia the calendar of the monar-chy here. The King and Queea of Nepal were accordingly busy elsewhere.

Prince Philip, however, took miles south-west of the city. | a flight in a Super Puma



Making friends: The Duke of Edinburgh in Chitwan National Park, Nepal, yesierday. helicopter, which is often pi-loted by 40-year-old King The Duke also saw conser- may usually be expected to be vation work being carried out extinction level. There were in the park on the garial, a Birendra, past the uncaring fish-eating crocodile with n frieze of the Himalayas to the

riverine elephant-grass-cov-

snipe-like long, narrow snont. Eight years ago the garial population was down to what

only 53 left in the Naravani River and its tributaries, including only five males. These are particularly prized by

gaunced in the male, which is

used locally as a medicine.

The Duke bimself saw almost 400 crocodiles, raised from eggs by the park war-dens. As many as 222 adults have already been released back into the rivers.

The park is also home to some 75 Royal Bengal tigers. but they spent yesterday lying low and did not show them

But the rhinos were the best of the spectacle. Three of them had been spotted by the park's chief game warden on the banks of an ox-bow take, munching placidly among the

"They are not very shy creatures, but they are not particularly dangerous either. They are rather short-sighted herbivores", a game warden explained. "They like a quiet life. Even their skin, which looks so tough and armour-plated, is in fact quite soft."

The Duke, who was wearing his bat as President of the ms nat as Presented of the World Wildlife Fund for the occasion, was not particularly-happy to find the press arriv-ing at Chitwan Park. "Good morning, sir", said a photogra-pher as he arrived. "It was", said the Duke, looking grim.

 DALLAS: The Prince of Wales arrived here yesterday for a four-day visit to Texas and its independence ceremonies (AFP reports).

He was greeted by Governor Mark White and other state officials. He is due to present a British award for outstanding achievement to the million aire. Mr Ross Perot, and will visit high-technology industries, an oil refinery in Honston, and Austin, the capital, for the start of the 150th anniversary celebrations.

British protest at NZ

From Richard Long Wellington

Admiral of the Flect Sir John Fieldhouse. Britain's Chief of Naval Staff, made it clear here yesterday that Beitain stood with the United States in opposing New Zealand's ban on visite of nuclear-armed or nuclear-

powered warships.
Sir John, who had talks with the New Zealand Prime Minister. Mr David Lauge, Cabinet ministers, defence chiefs and the New Zealand Defence Council said later: 1 explained to the Defence Council precisely where the United Kingdom stood in this

matter." According to sources close to the talks. Sir John told ministers about Britain's firm opposition to the visit provi-sions of New Zealand's anti-nuclear legislation, expected to be formally approved by Parliament later this year.

Mr Lange later described the exchange of views as forthright. He added it is perfectly clear that the British Government and the British riew is that New Zealand's decision is a matter that it cannot accept and that it is tions for security beyond New

Zealand."

Sir John said in an interview afterwards that it would be a sad day if the legislation was passed and Royal Navy ships would have to stop visiting New Zealand for the first time since Captain Cook charied the country's shores in 1769.

Royal Navy and American Navy ships would not be able to visit under the new legislation as they refuse to disclose which of their ships carry

nuclear weapons.
Sir John said the New Zealand Government had undertaken to talk about the legislation and that process vas under way.

"Let me make it quite clear that it will be extremely sad if we are required to break this relationship. And let me make it equally clear that it is not the British Government that has changed its policy. It is the New Zealand Government which has changed its policy." He was concerned at the effect the New Zealand stand

would have on the Western alliance. Deterrence had been put down the insurrection at the heart of Nato policy and this had been successful in

"I find it hard to believe

Coup trial generals

get bail

Bangkok (AP) — After two
previous refusals, an appeals
court decided to grant bail of
2.5 million bain (£66,000) each to five former generals charged with trying to over-throw the Thai Government last September.

The court decided that the five did not intend to flee once

They were arrested nine days after the coup attempt, in which five people died. Forces loyal to the Prime Minister. General Prem Tinsulanonda,

within hours. The defendants, who have been standing trial since January 8 on charges of sedition. preventing war in Europe. are Kriangsak Chomanand.

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Thirty-five other people from the European theatre. I also face sedition charges in connection with the coup of the world where you can attempt, but court officials consider yourself to be in a said they had not requested corner, fenced in and guaranteed peaceful existence."

Euro court upholds UK bar on oil sales

From a Correspondent, Luxembourg

The European Court of "in Foe with United Kingdom Justice yesterday upheld a British ban on sales of oil to Israel, and ruled that the ban was not illegal under the terms of a European Community Agreement with Israel.

The Luxembourg court's judgement is crucial to a five-year legal battle sparked off when the British petroleum and oil traders Sun Oil International refused to sapply North Sea crude to a Swissbased company, Bulk Oil, with a secret contract for delivery to Israel.

The British ban, which has never been written into United Kingdim law, has been in force since 1979. The Labour Government asked oil companies to comply with a policy statement specifically worded to exclude Israel and South Africa without mentioning either country by name.

When Sun learnt that the destination of the shipment from Sullom Voe was Israel, BP and Sun refused to load the oil on board ship, because BP's contract with Sun said the oil orally and the oil orally an BP's contract with Sun said infringement of Bulk's rights the oil could be delivered to which had to be protected by any country, provided this was

San to arbitration. But the and awarded Sun damages of \$12 million instead, because Bulk had been in breach of its contract to supply the oil to a country acceptable to the Brif-

But when Bulk took the case to court in Britain, new ques-tions were raised. The High Court turned to Luxembourg for guidance.
The European Court, here

ever, seems to have dispelled any uncertainty by saying that the EEC-Israel agreement does not prevent Britain from restricting exports to Israel, even if it cannot obstract

imports.

But Britain has been rapped lightly over the knuckles for not informing the EEC authorities in Bruspels and its EEC partners of its new policy before introducing the ban in 1979. That was against EEC rules, the court said yesterday, but it did not constitute any

Survey warns of Kenya Aids danger

Nairobi (AFP) - An eighth lids victim has died in Kenya and an American study has found that as many as half the prostitutes in Nairobi could be carrying the virus's antibod-

The latest victim, a 32-yearold man, died in the Indian Occan port of Mombasa. The main Aids victims in

the West have been homosexuals, intravenous drug users and haemophiliaes. But a study published by the New England Journal of Medicine maintained that up to half the prostitutes in Natrobi carried Aids antibodies, meaning that heterosexual men could spread the disease.

A Kenyan researcher DrNdiya Achola, said that 26 cases of Aids had been diagnosed in Kenya.

Pope 'plans third visit to Poland'

will make his third Papal visit to his native Poland in June next year, according to reliable sources here. He attracted huge crowds on his previous visits as Pope in June 1979 and June 1983.

The sources say he will both open and close the Church's eucharistic congress which would mean his spending at least a week there.

Discussions are taking place between the Church and the Polish authorities on his itigerary. It is expected to include Cracow, where he was arch-bishop before being elected Pope in 1978.

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Sinking of the Mikhail Lermontov

Master questioned as criticism mounts of liner safety standards

From Richard Long, Wellington

Vladislav Vorobyev, master of the ill-fated Russian liner Mikhail Lermontov, which sank off New Zealand's South Island on Sunday night, was ques-tioned for five and half hours at the beginning of an official

inquiry here yesterday. The leader of the inquiry, Captain Steve Ponsford, said after the closed session that questioning of Captain Vorobyev would continue today as the inquiry required log books, which were not pro-

duced at yesterday's hearing.
The inquiry would also
question Captain Don
Jamison, the New Zealand pilot who was on board the liner.

Captain Vorohyov remained out of contact at the Soviet Embassy, where a spokesman said he would not be commenting for legal rea-

Captain Jamison was also not available, hut Mr Brune Dalliessi, chairman of the Marlborough Harbour Board, the pilot's employer, said the liner was outside the board's designated area of responsibility when it struck rocks,

Royal New Zealand Navy's, that passengers went through hydrographer. Commander them with their feet. Many of hydrographer, Commander Ken Robertson, challenged the rubber inflatable life-rafts the Soviet captain's claims that rocks in the area were not shown on survey charts.

The area was marked on charts as being less than 10 metres (30ft) deep, was shaded in blue and surrounded by a dotted line, which was a clear warning not to go anywhere near it, Commander Robert-

ing rocks which divers said yesterday had torn a 30ft gash along the keel, up to 10ftwide

in parts. Fishermen and tourist launch operators in the scenic Marlborough Sound said they took small craft through the passage, between the beacon and headland, but would expect all larger vessels, including coastal ships, to go further

Lieutenant Peter Batcheler, commander of the Royal New Zealand Navy patrol boat Taupo, which is patrolling the wreck site, said some of the ship's lifeboats were so rotten

lifejackets did not work and rescue whistles were

There were no English language instructions on any of he equipment. Lieutenant Batcheler said. "I picked up an emergency flare and I did not have a clue how to use it."

The Mikhail Lermontov He said many lives would sank after passing inside a beacon, close to the Cape Jackson headland, and strik-had gone down at sea. On Sunday night all hut one of the 740 passengers and crew were picked up.

> One Soviet seaman is thought to have gone down with the ship. Six passengers are still in Wellington-Hospital with minor injuries.

> Passengers arriving in Wel-lington after the rescue, many of them lightly clothed, com-plained that they were given no information about the state of the ship, even after it began drifting without power and developed a list. They could not reach their cabins because

> > and peripherals.

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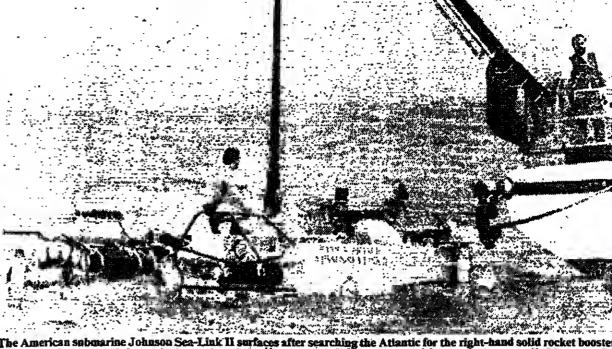
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two girls aged three and four. In another direction, about

Less than a mile further on

the borehole he had apparent

ly been seeking, was the head

There was one survivor, a dog found sheltering under the

of the family, 8 man of 38.

Six die in outback tragedy

The perils posed by the sheer vastness of the Austraian outback have been underlined by a tragedy in the Northern Territory which has claimed six lives,

Police who discovered the bodies of three adults and three children in the harsh and empty waste are still piecing together how they died, but the case seems to follow a pattern fairly familiar in the

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From Stephen Taylor, Sydney and an elderly man, were the vehicle. A few hundred apparently driving in a station wagon on a rough dirt road 470 miles north of Alice yards off were her three chil-dren, a baby of six months and

Springs when the vehicle got bogged down in the soil.
The golden rule for drivers who break down in the hot outback is to conserve energy by staying with the vehicle. Whether as a result of dehydration, or sheer despera-

tion, this group ignored the

Iberia jets sabotaged

Madrid - Acts of suspected abotage against two Iberia airliners have been discovered, the company said yester-day (Harry Debelius writes). A fleet check has been carried two miles from the van, they found a 65-year-old man, said to be experienced in the hush. stepped up. but still three miles or so from

On January 31, technicians servicing a DC9 found that wires to the landing gear indicator had been cut. Four days later fuel jettison valves of a Boeing 727 were also

70 feared dead in head-on

Santiago (AP. Reuter) eventy people are feared ave died and up to 200 m have been injured when two crowded passenger trains colided head-on 60 miles north east of the Chilean capital. Initial reports indicated nuch lower death toll, by several radio stations repo

that it has reached about 70. A police officer who asked not be identified said that the reports were accurate. An afficial announcemen

xpected. The crash happened londny near the town Limache, un a bridge damage in a bomb attack by leftis guerrillas opposed to the miltary regime of General Pino

thet, more than u year ago. The semi-official Orbe news igency said that nne engicame to rest nn top of the oth and that 165 yards of track were ripped up in the collision. One train was carrying passengers from the resort cities of Vnlparaiso and Viña del Mar to Santiago, and the other

was travelling from Los Andes to Vnlparaiso, n popular route, for Argentine tourists. The state railway company Ferrocarriles del Estado, said that since the bomb attack only one of the two tracks had

been in use. A company sp that the accident was apparently due to human error.

Moscow joins in with own inquiry

announced the setting up of a special commission to investigate the causes of the sinking of the Mikhail Lermontov.

The announcement of the official inquiry was made here by Mr Timolfey Guzhenko, the maritime fleet minister. The cause of the accident and the ship's loss will be determined by a specially

appointed commission," he The official newspaper said that the disaster, in which more than 700 passengers and crew were rescued and only one crewman was believed to

have been drowned, was the first of its kind to happen to a Soviet ship "for many years".

Although details of the composition of the Soviet inquiry were not clear, Pravda reported that officials from Moscow would be flying out to join the

investigation already under way in New Zealand. After a complete news Encouraged by the new blackout lasting some 24 campaign of "openness" the state-controlled media, subsequent reports published here have given the impression that map deficiencies and human error by the New

The Soviet authorities have Zealand pilot had been the main causes of the disaster. Interviewed by telephone by Soviet television, Captain Vladislav Vorobyev, the mas-ter of the 20,352 ton liner who had earlier refused to talk to reporters in Wellington claimed that the New Zealand pilot had tried to lead the Mikhail Lermontov on a safe course, but that it had hit rocks which had not been shown on the maps.

"The ship can definitely be recovered," he added.
Reports about the tragedy

in the official Soviet press have emphasized the bravery. coolness and efficiency with which Soviet crewmen carried out the evacuation of the

crippled liner.
In recent weeks, there has been a growing debate inside the Communist Party about the reporting of accidents and natural disasters by the Soviet

hours in which nothing about launched by Mr Gorbachov, officials have attacked the official press for concentrating too much on disasters in the West while giving minimal coverage to those within the

Forbidden City is wearing out

Peking (Reuter) - The For-hidden City in Peking, China's farmer imperial palace, is falling inth disrepair and suffering wear and tear from millions of visitors, according to the Economic Daily.

It said that £16 million had

been spent on renovating the huge complex of buildings since the Communists took power in 1949.

The number of visitors to the Forhidden City has risen by 10 per cent annually over the past few years. In 1985, it attracted almost 11 million

The "golden bricks" in the main halls, whose manufacturing technique is a mystery, have been worn down by 2cm.

The arms race had cost the superpowers a great deal of money, he said, and Malaysia,

Peace-loving

Kuala Lumpur (AP) - The Prime Minister of Malaysia,

Initially there was no response

but when Bob Geldof, the

Band Aid organizer, visited Australia in October he agreed

to be associated with the

initiative and made a personal request to Mr Bob Hawke, the

Prime Minister. As a result,

Mr Hawke announced on television that two Hercules would be refurbished and

The volunteers point out

that, because they would be

taking no pay and operating in rotation while on leave, their service wanid be much cheap-er. "This is an aircraft which

belongs to the Australian peo-

ple. It is part of an Australian response to a crisis. There is no way there should be any

profit clement," Captain Hay-

made available.

Old comrades back in action to fight famine From Our Correspondent, Sydney

As pilots with the Royal Australian Air Force, Boh Hayward and his mates flew relief missinns in Vietnam and New Gninea. Now they want to do it again — only in Africa, and for free. Captain Hayward, a com-

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mercial pilot, is part of a venture involving 30 former comrades-in-arms of the RAAF 36 Squadron who have formed themselves into a cousortium of valunteers. Their offer is to fly, crew and maintain one of their old nircraft, which was donated in December by the Canberra Government for famine relief operations in Africa.

"You could say it is partly for the excitement, but there's more to it than that. It's a chance to see beneficial results from your efforts. The whole thing the Geldof husiness, has really captured the Australian imagination," Captain Hay-

ward says. More than 80 volunteers from the aviation world have come forward to offer their skills. The former members of 36 Squadron form the logical nucleus for a voluntary crew up to fly an ex-RAF Heresles C130 donated by Australia.

Malaysia in arms display

Dr Mahathir Muhammad yesterday opened an international arms exhibition by saying he hoped there would be no arms race in South-East

a peace-loving country, would never place defence ahead of socio-economic development.

Senior government officials said that since Dr Mahathir took office in July 1981 be had cut defence spending and scrapped the building of air bases and the buying of new

The volunteers include pi-lots, flight mechanics and, no less important, loadmasters. Some, like Hayward who flew in Cambodia for World Vision in the aftermath of the Pol Pot holocaust, have previous experience of disaster relief work. The story started with the request last year by Action Aid Australia to Canberra for seven mothballed Hercules.

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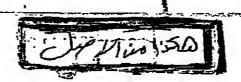


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New Brunswick, New Jer-sey (AP) — Johnson & John-son has decided no longer produce over-the-counter medicines in capsules, but whoever murdered a woman with a poisoned painkiller has not beaten the giant company. its chairman says.

The decision to stop production came nine days after a New York woman was killed by cyanide-contaminated Tylenoi capsules and 31/2 years after seveo people in the Chicago area suffered the

We fought our way back from the Chicago tragedy ... thanks to the fairness and good judgement of the American coosumer." the chairman, Mr James Burke, told a press

From Michael Binyon

Washington

bizarre challenges to a multi-millionaire's will began in a

New York court yesterday, as six descendants of the John-

son & Johnson pharmaceuti-

The case is the stuff of

which American soap operas

are made. Mr J Seward John-

son, son of the founder of the

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One of America's most

We will do it again this time. What we've done is say: You're not going to defeat

Mr Burke urged users of Tylenol capsules to switch to coated, oval tablets known as "caplets," and said that Johnson & Johnson will replace free of charge any capsules now in homes or stores.

The US drug industry reacted cautiously to the announcement and the Food and Drug Administrance said it would be premature to call for an industry-wide ban on capsule medicines.

Texas victim: Police in the town of Tyler, Texas, are investigating whether a man diagnosed as suffering from

from Tylenoi capsules he rook sbortly before he collapsed iLiPi reports).

The 41-year-old victim survived the poisoning that oceurred four days before the New York woman died from taking cyanide-laced Extra-Strength Tylenol capsules.

Police in Tyler, 100 miles east of Dallas, said they delayed disclosing the incident, which had occurred on February 4, because they did not want to alarm residents.

They also refused to pinpoint the poisoned Tylenol as the cause of the man's illness, even though he took four capsules of the painkiller the

"At this stage of the investi-gation, we don't know how or when or even if the cyanide was put into the capsules." a police officer said. The victim, who worked for

the Mental Retardation Centre of East Texas, a state social service organization, took four capsules at his office. Shortly after swallowing the last two he dropped to the floor and went into convulsions. Hospital tests showed he had ingested some form of

Dr. Michael Welch, who treated the patient at the hospital, said that after eyanide was found in the patient's blood, he told doctors he had taken Tylenol shortly before

cyanide poisoning two weeks day he collapsed. Dynasty fights maid for will fortune the family in disputing the

giant company, died in 1983 at the age of 87, leaving virtually his entire estate. valued at between \$400 million and \$1 billion (£286 million to £714 million) to his third wife Basia, whom he married when he was 76 and she was 34.

cals dynasty tried to wrest the Between his marriage and family fortune from their father's former Polish chamhis death his will was revised times with the benefits to Mrs Johnson growing incrora-Yesterday the jury was be-ing selected in the Manhanan bly until she was one of the thest women in the world. surrogate court for a case which is expected to last

The former Basia Piasecka arrived in America aged 31 in 1908, after studying art at the Vatican. With only \$100 in her pocket and speaking no English she took a job as an upstairs chambermaid, servsecond wife Esther. Within one year of herarrival the Johnson mar-

riage was destroyed. They were divorced on November 3, 1971, and eight days later Seward married Basia. One day after the wedding he changed his will, giving her \$250,000, some company shares and income from a \$10 million stockholding.

In his subsequent wills, which the family claimed were obtained from a sick old man by fraud, duress, coercion and undue influence. Mr Johnson left nothing to the Harbour, Branch Occanography Insti-

The family claims that as Mr Johnson grew old and sick with cancer his third wife virtually imprisoned him in their California home, dismissing all English-speaking siaff and replacing them with Poles. They say that the final draft of his will on April 14.

1983, five weeks before his death, was made when he was so confused he could barely recognize anyone. One daughter, Mrs Mary Lee Richards, said in court papers filed last year that Basia had deliberately pre-

vented him leaving money to tute in Florida, which he the Oceanography Institute, founded, and which has joined his lifelong hobby.

Bill on euthanasia blocked

The Hague (Reuter) - The Duich Government has blocked cuthanasia legislation despite majority support but its backers still say The Netherlands is likely to be the first country to allow mercy-kill-

Mr Pieter Smit, the Liberal spokesman, said a request by Mr Frederik Korthals Altes. the Minister for Justice, to have the debate deferred, had insured the Bill could not become law before a general election due in May. But he said its support was so strong that it was virtually inevitable after the election.

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the mud at the bow of a 27ft boat dating from the time of Jesus Christ. The boat was found with other artefacts recently when the water level was lowered.

Britons' role in Uganda war

From Richard Dowden, Kampala the approval of the British tems was called in. It sent two

company which serviced heli-

The Okello regime in Uganda employed British mercenaries to fly and arm lisheticopier gunships, according to an American airman being questioned by the authorities bere. This must have been done with the knowledge of the British Government.

Five men from Defence Systems Ltd. the Londonbased private security company, arrived late last year to fly and arm the Leanda Army's two Bell Augusta helicopier gunships.

The two pilots, Mr Richard Merry and a Mr Peacock, 2 white Zimbabwean, flew several test missions over Lake Victoria to fire the oewlyinstalled rockets and machine guns, Later, the gunships were in action against the National Resistance Army (NRA). though there is no evidence that these missions were flown by Defence Systems person-

Defence Systems is a re-speciable Westminster-based security firm, which employs mainly former Special Air Services personnel. Its chairman is Viscount Monckton of Brenchley and it would not operate in a country without

piluts and three armourers, Guvernment. A spokesman for the British four of them British. High Commission here said that he was aware that De-

fence Systems and other British security companies were successful and already fitted the weapons operating in Uganda, but did and know exactly what they not know exactly what they ters, Mr Jackson said that the were daing. Mr Joe Jackson, an American employed by Uganda Air Cargo as flight engineer for the company's C130 aircraft, being questioned by the new Candan authorities, He and Mr Colin Palph, a New Zea-lander who worked for the

cupters here, are not being detained but their passports have been confiscated. Mr Jackson said that Defence Systems arrived at the time of the signing of the peace accord between the Okello government and the NRA, and

continued to work after the peace agreement was signed. The government had decided to buy and fit rocket pods and machineguns for the two Bell Augusta Griffin helicopters. The Italian company re-

Before they arrived, howev-

er. Canadian employees of a two Clareville pilots, Mr Bitl Waugh and another called Berni had been flying the civilian helicopters fur some time as well as airlifting supplies to Okello garrisons surrounded by the NRA at

After one mission the helicopter picked up 11 bullet boles so Bernt said be wouldn't fly it any more. But Waugh went on flying, and I'm told he flew one of the combat

The Defence Systems men stayed at the Lake Victoria Hotel at Entebbe and Mr Jackson said they always carried their AK47 assault rifles with them. All of them fled at the time

of the takeover to January, but Mr Waugh flew the nusted President Okello to Jinja and the then to Sudan before going to weapons, and so Defence Sys-

Vogel's doubts on Kohl payment

From Frank Johnson

Herr Hans-Jochen Voget leader of the Social Democrat in the Federal Parliamen (Bundestag), said here yester day that Chancellor Kob could not have been "entiret ignorant" of the final destina tion of cash payments which are the subject of an impend ing investigation against Her

But Herr Vogel, who 42 talking to reporters after tosudden and unexpected new of the investigation by public prosecutors, slopped short of demanding Herr Kohl's resig nation. The private view at tributed to him by the pre-here was that such deman: were premature, but that Her Rohl had better clarify th

matter quickly.

Herr Dieter Cronenberg, a. MP and member of the Le-tional Executive of the Fre Democrats (FDP), the libera party with which Herr Kon! Christian Democrats (CDI) are in coalition, called on in Opposition not to "prejudge" Herr Kohl.

These causous excling around the issue were representative of the mood of uncertainty here vesterde Herr Kohl might be o trouble. Buttl he continues to deny knowledge of where the money eventually went, t could all evaporate.

What had started as little more than a ploy by the Green MP and radical lawyer Her Otto Schily - an application to the prosecutors for as investigation of whether Her Kon! fold the truth about tax evading payments to th Christian Democrats by br business - suddenly looke more serious. The prosecutor in Koblenz made it know! that it was to be investigated.

Some of the payments relat to when Herr Kohl was tha region's Prime Minister, an-CDU party chairman, in the 1970s. The money went to what ostensibly was a research institute, but which was reall; a CDU front organization. By making the payments to at institute, business contribu-tors to a political party car avoid tax.

Herr Kohl's defence ove the past two years has been that he believed the payment were legal.

Journalist by Tamils

Colombo — Mrs Penelope Willis, the 64-year-old British freelance journalist kidnapped by Tamil guerrillas on January 17, was released yesterday into the care of the British High Commission and the Interna-tional Red Cross (Our Corre spondent writes).

She was freed at a refugee

camp outside Jaffna, the main 10wn of the Northern Province, and was expected to be flown to Colombo in a private

Her captors had maintained that she was a spy. When Mrs Willis was released reporters were not given access to her oo the ground that it would be a breach of her understanding with the guerrillas.

Drinkers pay their dues

Moscow (AFP) - Fines under oew Soviet anti-alcohol laws have netted the Ulyaoovsk region cast of Moscow \$1.2 million (about £860,000) since last June.

The region, where alcoho' sales fell by \$28 million las year, has 1.3 million of th Soviet's 280 million popula

Fire toll 16

Rio de Janeiro (AFP) - The death toll in a fire that ravaged a 13-story building here has risen to 16 and is expected to rise further as workers con-tinue their search for victims.

Bomb arrests

Brussels (AFP) - Police investigating a suspected bomb-smuggling ring have seized 143lb of explosives and devices from a city garage after arresting four people.

Drug haul

San Salvador (Reuter) Police arrested a seven-man drug ring carrying \$658,000 (£470,000) in cash and cocaine worth \$249,000 as they prepared to smuggle 154 packets of cocaine to Los Angeles.

Tigers at risk

Peking (Renter) - China last week welcomed the Year of the Tiger, but its 200 tigers in the wild may not survive until the next tiger year, 1998. a leading newspaper said.

Strike called

Delhi (Reuter) - India's opposition parties have called a national one-day general strike, to exclude the capital. in protest against Govern-ment price increases for essential goods on February 26.

Planes wait

Madrid - A work-to-rule protest by air traffic controllers wanting more pay and better equipment caused delays of up to five hours at Madrid airport on Monday.

Rescuers die

Lisbon - Seven Portuguese. seamen drowned in trying to save the 25 crew of a ship adrift in heavy Atlantic seas. They were taken off by helicopter, but only one man from the rescue ship survived.

Cat-fusion



Ozal wants Turkey in

EEC within 10 years By Nicholas Ashford, Diplomatic Correspondent

Mr Turgut Ozal, the Turk- ed to a revival of Turkey's ish Prime Minister, outlined the case for eventual Turkish membership of the European Community when he met Mrs Thatcher at Downing Street yesterday, the second day of his four-day official visit to

Encouraged by Monday's decision by European Foreign Ministers to revive Turkey's association agreement with the EEC later this year, he expressed the hope that Tur-key may be accepted as a full member within 10 years.

Britain looks favourably on the idea of eventual Turkish membership but believes that it could take as long as 15 or 20 years before Turkey is politically and economically

One of the main stumbling blocks is the continued Turk-ish occupation of the northern part of Cyprus, an issue that day's talks. Greece had object-

By Our Diplomatic

The head of President Reagan's "Star Wars" pro-

gramme forecast yesterday

of dollars could eventually be

won by British companies and

research organizations as a

result of Britain's decision to

take part in the controversial

take several years before any

significant commercial bene-

Abrahamson initialled a series

space defence project.

Amnesty International delivered a report to Mrs Thatcher's office before yesterday's meeting, saying there was evidence that torture was still being widely used in Turkish prisons. The organization says there are over 15,000 political pris-

and attended an official han-

oners in Turkey. Yesterday Mr Ozal also met Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chan-cellor of the Exchequer, had lunch in the City of London

would be certain to block full

Turkish membership while

the Cyprus problem remains

Another problem area is

Turkey's homan rights record

which, although improving since Mr Ozal's civilian gov-

ernment took office two years

ago, still leaves much to be

'Billions' **Hurd** joins for UK in Paris war Star Wars on terror

quet in Downing Street.

From Diana Geddes Paris

Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, held talks in Paris yesterday with M Pierre Joxe, his French counterpart on ways of intensifying bilateral and international cooperation on terrorism and drug trafficking. It was the second meeting

between the two ministers within the last three months However, General and indicates the growing James Abrahamson, who has awareness of both sides of the been in London to give details increasingly international character of their jobs. Mr Hurd has held similar of classified aspects of the project to interested British companies, said that it would meetings within the last few

months with his Italian and

early for discussions at minis-

Greek couoterparts.

fits could be reaped. The problems relating to the policing of the Channel Tun-"The first step is the plantnel were not discussed. Mr I ing of technical seeds which Hurd said that talks between we expect to sprout and grow," he said before leaving officials on such issues as measures to control rabies. discuss possible Israeli particidrugs, terrorism, and immipation in the Strategie Degration in relation to the fixed fence Initiative (SDI). link would begin "fairly While in London General sooo", but that it was still too

of implementing instructions terial level. with Dr Richard Norman. The recent bomb attacks in chief scientifie adviser at the Ministry of Defence, which will make it easier for British Rome, Vienna and Paris featured prominently in yesterday's talks but Libya companies to take part in the was not discussed. France and \$26 billion dollar project. Britain do not share the United States view that Libya is the fountainhead of world He said Britain's involvement would have important terrorism.

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LECENS TAD SLIPS

Ten years ago much of Latin America was ruled by dictators, most of whom have now fallen. In Africa, too, some harsh

regimes are over. Could despotism be on the way out?

These are bad times for dictators. Many have been finding out the hard way that their services are no longer required - they have lost their jobs.

A generatinn ago a political map nf Latin America would have shown far more dictatorships than democracies. Some of the caudillos then in power were internationally famnus figures, synonymous with cruelty and corruption - Peron in Argenti-na, Batista in Cuba, Trujillo in Dominica, Somoza in Nicaragua and Duvalier in Haiti.

Africa, too, produced its crop of tin-pot dictators. Some, like Kwame Nkrumah in Ghana, won a degree of political respectability by being in the forefront of the struggle against European colonialism, Others, howt ever, took despotism and selfenrichment to heights never dreamt of by their Latin counterparts.
In Equatorial Guinea, for exam-

ple, the tyrannical rule of the late Macias Nguema caused one-third of the population to flee the country. His near-neighbour Emperor Jean-Bèdel Bokassa spent a quarter of the Central African Republic's foreign earnings on bis Napoleonic-style coronaniun, fed his enemies to the crocodiles and according to those who opened his refrigerator after he was overthrown, dined off human

The exploits of Idi Amin, conqueror of the British empire. have been all too well documented. Yet evidence now beginning to emerge suggests that the man who preceded and succeeded bim, Milton Obote, may have had an equally bloodstained career.

Even modern Europe has not been immune from dictators. It is just nver a decade since Spain and Portugal emerged from the dark years of dictatorship under General Franco and Dr Antonio Salazar to transform themselves into fullyfledged western democracies. And Greece's unhappy flirtation with military rule was a sharp remirder that democracy remains a fragile

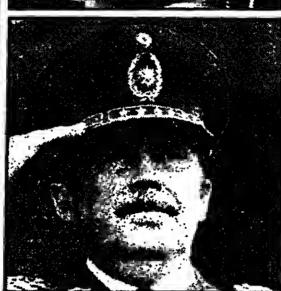
flower even in Europe. According to the current issue of International Security, an American US did. publication, there are 38 dictators office for more than a decade. Many of them are very old - President Bourguiba of Tunisia and President Banda of Malawi, for example, are

both ocingenarians. The only surprise about the overthrow of President" Bahy Doc" Duvalier of Haiti is that it took so long. Duvalier's dictatorship was a classic of its kind, and so was his downfall. Having none of his late father's political guile — nor bis ruthlessness — Baby Doc survived as long as be did largely because his people had been crushed by decades of poverty and brutality. While the people starved. Duvalier and bis glamorous wife Michele stashed away a fortune estimated at more than £300 millinn.

that the Duvaliers should have set. used by other fleeing dictators.







Absolute power: President Pinochet of Chile (left); Mohutu of Zaire (top right); and Stroessner of Paraguay

popped up around the Western hemisphere. Some were installed by Washington, others were actively encouraged if they were thought capable of protecting US interests (which aften took the form of the United Fruit Company) or, more importantly, keeping communists at bay. The Americans were prepared to tolerate "Papa" and "Baby Doc" Duvalier for so long targely because they disliked Fidel Castro's type of communism almost as much as the

The decline of Latin American dictatorships can be traced to a change in US attitudes that began with the Kennedy administration. US governments decided that simply being anti-communist was not enough to justify American support. Adherence to democratic principles and respect for human rights were also important. When men like Batista and Somoza paid no attention to either democracy or human rights, the Americans beloed local opposition forces to remove them.

ne of the most striking developments in Latin America during the past decade has been the way that dictatorship and military rule have given way to democ-- a process for which the US It was particularly appropriate can claim much credit. During the nat the Duvaliers should have set. 1970s Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Peru, off into exile aboard a United States Ecuadur, Uruguay, Bolivia, Paramilitary plane, a means of refuge guay, in fact must of Central America (with the notable exception In the past the United States has of Costa Rica) were run by military been tolerant of the tyrants who dictatorships. Today more 90 per

cent of Latin American people are living in countries that are either democratic or heading in that direc-

There are only two old-style rightwing military dictators still in power in Latin America, President Alfredo Strocssner of Paraguay and President Augusto Pinochet of Chile and probably only Stroessner fully deserves the title caudillo, a type of feudal leader peculiar to Latin Stroessner, now aged 73, has ruled

his impoverished, land-locked counand fear since he seized power in a coup in 1954, and will probably go on doing so until be dies. He has been in office longer than Franco was in Spain: at least half of Paraguay's three million people were not born when he seized power. His slogan, seen on boardings

around the capital, Asunción, is peace, work and well-being"; it undoubtedly holds an appeal for a country which bad 28 presidents in the 40 years before Stroessner took power. A desire for stability and continuity partly explains why Stroessner invariably manages to win around 90 per cent of the vote each time there is an election. Fraud and corruption undoubtedly also play their part, but it is widely believed that even if a free election were beld Stroessner would easily win, so successful has he been in turning Paraguay into his personal

brewer, has been maliciously de-

scribed by Graham Greene in Travels with My Aunt as looking like an "amiable, well-fed host of a Bavarian bierstube." But there is little that is amiable about Stroessner. He has remained in power by creating a permanent climate of fear and hopelessness through, to quote a report by Paraguayan hishops: "arbi-trary detention, torture, lack of freedom and the absence of personal

been chased into exile. An opponent of Stroessner has described the foundations of his enduring regime as "the three Cs" cronies, corruption and crueity. The cronies are mainly old army pals and the large group of expatriate Germans, some of them ex-Nazis, he has allowed to settle there. Many of them hold government posts or control the huge contraband trade which is one of the mainstays of the economy.

orruption has become embedded in the fabric of Paraguayan politics. This, too, hinges on the contraband trade. Stroessner himself is said to live modestly and to dislike the extravagance of some of his colleagues and the exiles whom he has allowed to settle in Paraguay, notably the Somoza family after they were kicked out of Nicaragua in

Cruelty is central to his dictator-Stroessner, son of a Bavarian ship. The country is in a permanent stewer, has been maliciously destate of siege. Stroessner is kept informed of everything taking place in the country by his secret police. Thousands of political prisoners are kept in jail.

As Stroessner's years advance and his health weakens a power strugte has developed between two factions of his party, the "militants", who are promitting his son, Gustavo, and the "traditionalists" who come from the country's wealthy patrician families and are backing a civilian. But Stroessner has shown no sign of choosing an heir apparent.

n Chile, Pinochet must regard Stroessner's virtually unchal-lenged control of his country with envy and frustration. Pinochet's leadership has been constantly challenged since the over-throw of Marxist president Salvador Allende in 1973. Furthermore, whereas Paraguay is ignored by most of the world, Chile is seen as exemplifying all that is rotten about right-wing military dictatorships. Even the US, which helped bring pinochet to power, now finds him a Pinochet to power, now finds him a political embarrassment and is pressing for a return to democrary.

When Pinochet did try some

political liberalization a couple of years ago his efforts produced widespread unrest across the country. He responded in the classic style of a military dictator with imprisonment and torture.

How long he and his generals can stay in control remains to be seen.

Their 13- year tenure has been largely due to the deep divisions between the opposition parties. However, he is committed to a constitutional process which calls for a plebiscite and Congressional elec-tion by the end of this decade — and the Americans are likely to hold him to this timetable.

Africa still has a clutch of dictators clinging on to power, most of whom have been in office since their countries became independent. Despite his many eccentricities and a record of dealing ruthlessly with his opponents. Dr Hastings Banda of Malawi is generally considered to have had a beneficial influence on his country. Under his autocratic-rule Malawi, once known as the "dusthin of Africa", has prospered in a modest way and is now muchloved by western development agencies wanting to invest in projects in

The same could not be said of President Mobutu Sésé Seko of Zaire who has presided over the systematic impoverishment of what could be one of the richest countries in Africa. While his people have grown steadily poorer, Mobutu has amassed a

President Mobutu has remained in power largely because the Americans, the French and the Belgians wanted him to. Although they have guarantees." During his years in little love for his methods and power an estimated 40,000 people, despair at his mismanagement of the including the potential leaders of an economy, he has managed to hold effective opposition, have fled or together a sprawling country that dominates the heart of the African continent. At all costs Mobutu's western backers wanted to avoid a repetition of the bloody Congo war of the 1960s which would almost certainly provoke Soviet involve-

> Western support for dictators like Mobutu creates its own conundrum - what happens when they die or are overthrown? The International Security article showed that the departure of a dictator is almost always followed by a period of political unrest - and that the unrest tends to be more severe the longer the dictator had been in office. Thus, the stability which a dictator may provide while in office can be lost almost immediately after he departs. as the revolution in Iran so clearly demonstrated.

The overthrow of a dictator like Duvalier may be little more than a tragi-comedy, but there are others whose departure from power would be no joke.

Nicholas Ashford



An old china on Broadway

A Cockney musical is tipped to take

New York by storm, much to the surprise of its unlikely star

If in the depths of last winter you had gazed into a crystal ball to predict Broadway's next British musical star you might have been startled to have come face to face with Robert Lindsay. There is, of course, nothing wrong with the face of Robert Lindsay, indeed, it has that rubbery, humorous and sympathetic mix that is the quintessence of musical comedy.

It was just that it, and he,

had been all of those things for a long time, through a succession of television succession — Citizen Smith. Seconds Out, Give Us a Break - punctuated by an occasional foray into the theatre that was critically approved but popularly unrecognized. It seemed more of the same when he returned to the West End in a 50-year-old show steeped in wartime sentimentality, bedecked with uncul-tured singalones such as Lambeth Walk, Leaning on a Lamp Post and The Sun Has Got His Hat On, apparently lacking only Run Rabbit Run and Hey Little Hen from the composer Noci Gay's repertoire to qualify it for the year's ultimate cor blimey. Its leading man was surely about to squander his talent on the transient nostalgia of a

coachload or two of OAPs. In the event Me and My Girl was accorded an almost unanimous thumbs ap from the critics who came, one suspects, to patronize and left in adulation. It has played to packed audiences of young and old ever since and went on to win the Laurence Olivier Award for the best musical of 1985, with Lindsay the best actor in a musical. And now Lindsay finds himself taking the year's most unlikely hit to New

Will it travel? Four thousand miles from its cheerful Cockney origins, what chance can there be for a show as American as jellied eels? Lindsay admits that he is the wrong man to ask; he thought the show would flop in London. Though not a Cockney he can play Cockney parts at the drop of a hat, and when offered the part, he says." I thought, God, it's the same old thing again. I didn't like the script. I couldn't see it working in the eighties. So I turned it down.

They persuaded me to

SIR BARNES WALLIS The suggestion on the Monday Page this week that Sir Barnes Wallis designed the illfated airship R10t was incorrect. He was responsible for the R100, which successfully crossed the Atlantic.

take the music on holiday with me to Ibiza. I played The Sun Has Got His Has On, and maybe because the sun was shining at the time I thought This is quite fun. I rang my dad up in Nottinghamshire and he said he had seen it first time around and remembered the cloak scene so, when I got back to England, I took the music up to play to him. He had been a trade union man all his life and it was just at the time when the Nottingham miners were working and there were pickworking and there were park-ets everywhere and everyone was gloomy. "That'll do it', he said, 'that'll cheer 'em up'. I realized he was right." At the age of 36, and 15 years after keaving RADA,

Robert Lindsay has become a star. With the possible excep-tion of Michael Crawford's virtuoso performance in Barnum, he has probably just completed the most energetic and exhausting 12 months' theatrical work seen in London for years.

What terrifies me most of all is being successful'

"I know what's happened to me", he says, "and I'm not sure that I like it. People cash my cheques. For the first time in my life restaurant managers find a table for me. But a lot of my old relationships have gone out of the window. I seem to be public property.

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The loss of privacy partly explains the open fear with which he faces the prospect of leading a new Me and My Girl cast on to the New York stage next July. "I'll tell you what terrifies me most of all and that's being successful. If it's no good then I'll bop on the next plane home and that'll be that But I know what Americans do to you if they like you.
"I think it was Jeremy

frons who said to me once that the trouble with the English is that they can't handle success." "I thought they were mad

when they first started talking about taking it to Broadway' Lindsay says. Four times I was asked to go and four times I said no. Then came the summer, the American tourists started flocking in to see the show, and night after night we got the same standing ovation. But it was only when I started meeting some of them that I realized what was happening.
This was the England they

had come all this way to see and they found that in real life it didn't exist any more. Then they came to the Adelphi and there it was Aristocrats with tennis racquets on country lawns and a little man in a funny pork-pie hat saying wacha mi old china. They loved it. You never know, they might still love it when we take it to

William Greaves

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The ubiquitous trout

a position second only to the salmon in the freshwater fisherman's hierarchy. Its gasrecently been enhanced by the sense of its being a special treat, brought to the table not by everyday commercial production but by the skills and patience of the hunter. But with the advent of the

trout farm, its status has changed. In the last 10 years commercial production has risen from 1,500 tonnes in 1976 to a projected 10.500 tonnes this year, and what was once a luxury has become com place in fishmongers' shops and on supermarket counters. So prolific has trout farming

that soon not a single loch or river will lack a fish farm of some kind. The commercial advantage is obvious - in the last ten years the price of trout in real terms has dropped from an average of 77p to 56p a

Fish farming worldwide is estimated to be worth some £6.000 million, excluding shellfish such as shrimps and prawns, and is growing at the rate of about 15 per cent a year. In western Europe alone total turnover is put at nearly £450

rearing requires continuous

chairman of the British Trout Association, which is only

near Romsey, in Hampshire, which includes a couple of miles of the famed River Test. He built his first ponds in 1972, and sow has three farms. two on the Test and one on the nearby Dun. Each depends on a flow of millions of gallons of napollated river water. Although "wild" trout thrive in lakes and reservoirs, intensive

The three farms currently produce about 200 tonnes of fish a year, which puts him somewhere near the top of the producers' league. A handful of the largest farms in Britain supply between 500 and 1,000 tonnes each, but the majority,

spread from Scotland to south west England, are small com-ponents in mixed enterprises. His trout are Rainbows, a species introduced to Europe from North America in the 1880s and said to be more saited to farming conditions than the native brown trout. Farms like his consist of

pools excavated some distance away from the main river, from which water is diverted, so that there is no interference with the natural migration of wild smolts. Some owners invite visitors to catch their own trout with rod and line, as an alternative to buying from the

John Young



WEDNESDAY PAGE

Emergency ward Islam

The promise of high salaries has lured many NHS nurses to Saudi Arabia, but as two of them tell Alison Miller, life there for foreign

women can be hell Phillipa Smith is 40. In 1983 she went to work in Saudi Arabia as a staff nurse at a military hospital in Jedda. She wanted the £11,500 salary to pay for her children's private education,

but she rapidly discovered that life in the desert kingdom was extremely difficult for European women, and now feels she was exploited by the British nursing agency that sent her. "At my interview, which was extremely professional, 1 was given the impression that I was going somewhere quite or-ganized and under control,

where they looked after you well. No mention was made about the Saudi-isation of jobs and accommodation, which meant subsequently that we were thrown out of our villas in a sheltered compound and into appalling conditions in a former Sheraton hotel that had been condemned.

"Now called the Al Badr residence, the former hotel is on 16 floors but the first three were inaccessible because they were blocked off for the men to use. The food was terrible - it cost £4 for a meal - and sewage seeped into the restaurant. Of 400 people staying in the building you only ever saw eight or 12 prepared to eat there. "I had a small room with no daylight and mushrooms growing in the wardrobe. Immediately opposite was the room of a Saudi man who just stared into my room all the time. When I complained I was told that no complaints could be made against Saudi nationals of any kind. I had to move.

"At first men friends were allowed to come to our compound. But the agency kept the central changing the rules. You had to work.



Victims of a veiled society: Phillipa Smith and Therese Brown, whose dreams of a career abroad turned sour

meet them in the foyer, then it was no meeting men in the hotel, you had to meet them outside. Then the agency wouldn't let you be collected outside because the Saudis had been complaining. We were supposed to meet them around the corner - but it was far too dangerous to set foot on the road. Then the agency told us we weren't allowed to stay out overnight unless it was with a married couple. It wasn't as though we were having wild orgies. We simply stayed over for our own security. I found myself becoming a virtual pris-oner. When off duty all you could do was sit in your room and smoke. You couldn't cook. do housework or even read an English language paper because the censors would have been at,

We weren't told about the high cost of living. It cost 50p for a litre bottle of water, soap was £1. shampoo £3, a very ordinary hamburger over £2. I'd been led to believe that British companies would bail their staff out if they got in a jam. The going rate was £5,000 to £10,000 to get someone out. But two male nurses were sexually abused in prison because they were European and were not rescued; the attitude seemed to be to leave them there to teach the rest of us a lesson. "Sometimes we had to travel

without air conditioning in temperatures of 130°, which meant that once you got to the hospital you had to shower and change again for work.

My nursing officer's attitude was that 'you can make ripples and were trapped - some but don't make waves'. My tried to commit suicide."

'I found myself becoming a virtual prisoner'

agency gave me no support at all. Their attitude to any probiem was always 'if you don't like it, get out'. But that's not so easy. I spent two years and nine months there. I was able to cope only because I had been married and am what you might call seasoned. But people who are still quite fresh, I just don't know how they don't crack up."

Therese Brown, who is 32 nursed at Riyadh. She found one of the main difficulties of hospital life was the effect on Arah men of European women in nursing uniform. "I had one patient who touched my breasts. I was appalled at the general Saudi attitude that all Western women were pros-titutes. "I worked for a stable international organization and I thought I was in good hands. But I found that I was caught in a mostly uncaring armlock of international money-making.

"In the NHS we nurses are naive and guilible. I didn't go abroad to be able to buy a house. I went because my bed sitting room was costing me £100 a month for a shower and toilet - and my salary in 1983 was £5,000. I have always worked and have not married. I have to run a car. So you can imagine what the sound of an apartment with marble floors and a fully fitted kitchen would have meant to me.

"I didn't know women were not allowed to drive, that it would cost £10 to £12 an hour to hire a car to see anything of the country, that women must always outnumber men in any group, that it would be madness to be unaccompanied anywhere, and that we couldn't even wear Western dress in the compound. There was no dancing, no stopping to help if you saw an accident for fear that you might get caught up and land in jail. Some nurses had not been paid for six months and were trapped - some even

Pen friends: a novel twist to the success story

he questian everyone asks is: "Bul how can two people write one novel?" The answer is easy. They write 40,000 words each. The difficult part was selling the idea of two names nn the cover. "Oh, we won't be able to publicize that", said the experts. "Nobody is interested in a book by two

What they meant, we later discovered, is that publishers believe it is impossible for two womeo to write a book together without coming to blows or litigation. A kindly telephone call from a famous woman nuvelist who had tried it herself urged us in call in our lawyers and get our individual rights legally defined before we put fingers to typewriter. We didn't bother.We had

agreed to do half the work each, take half the money each, and we certainly didn't intend sharing those rewards with a lawyer. And here we are with our first movel due out tomorrow, another commissinned and on the way, and we

are still speaking.

There were a few cool
silences and frank exchanges on the way and this was mainly to dn with nnr differ-ent methods of working. I noisily consign 12 typewritten pages to the waste paper basket for every one that works. Angela sorts out whole chapters in her subconscious before committing anything tn paper. While she is doing this she settles oo the floor, in from of a fire, with The Times crossword and endless cups of coffee and, as I'm typing fariously, interrupts with: "Largest flying mammal in five letters with an M in the middle? Oh. I know. Jumbo."

On one memorable occasioo she yawned and said: I'm going opstairs to have a rest now. Wake me np in time for the Budget on televisioo." I could have killed her. In fact, as I was dropping off to sleep around midnight, I could hear Angela revving op the typewriter and on the following morning found that she had achieved the same number of words as I'd proShirley Lowe tells

how she teamed up with fellow Fleet Street iournalist

Angela Ince to write a possible best-seller

Luckily we worked in the same place only for the last week, as we knitted up the plot. For the six months it tonk in write the book we slayed prudently apart at opposite ends of London. occasionally getting on the telephone to check if the plot was still un course. This proved vital as, at one point, Angela killed off a character in chapter two that I had dning something important in chanter 10.

We acted as each other's editors, she taking out my principation and rude words, me slotting semi-coluns into ber long sentences. Those were the silent moments and if we spoke at all it was with cool politeness

The advantage of working together, though, was that whenever I felt I couldn't write aouther sentence or motivate a character or come to a next conclusion. Angela did it for me, and vice versa. "Oh, you are clever", we kept saying to each other, which is more than your average editor says when you hand in a

newspaper article.

Miraculously the seams didn't show, perhaps because Angela and I have been friends for so long that we're inclined to finish each other's sentences like an old married couple, anyway.

ur agent and our publisher both swore they couldn't tell who had written what and it was very satisfying to be 'phoned by a friend saying: "I know you wrote that marvellous hit about the dinner party. It was so funny, I could just hear you saying it." "Thank you", I said modestly. And, of course, Angela had written it.

The book is about a woman journalist who manipulates

her way in the inp. It suggests, a shade heretically, that not all working wives and mothers are exhausted saints; that some of them are every hit as slothful as the old-fashiuned heroine who used to lounge on a chaise langue cating chocolntes while other people did her work for her. The only difference is that our heroine eats expense account lunches instead.

Some honest ev-colleagnes recognized themselves. "i went quite pink", one of them

We didn't plan it that way. We didn't plan it at all. We just decided to write a book together and started by making a list of the books we didn't want to write. We didn't want to write an epic. the kind that starts in Silesia in t840 nod ends in New Ynrk four generations later. We didn't want in write a steam-ing sex saga. Our characters spend mare time slaking their appetites in restaurants than in beds.

We wanted in write a finny. truthful book about now; the sort that American womeo navelists do so well but that rarely appear with an English accent. It turned out that we'd writteo "a delicinusly witty satire un life in the fast lane" as a publisher put it. We were pleased with that.

7 riting a onvel is, we always hear, a lonely occupation. Doing it with someone else may have its irritations ("Oh. all right. I'll take unt that feeble joke on page 173") but it certainly isn't lonely. A co-writer is happy to discuss plut and characterization in detail and tbraw in helpful advice. A cowriter is as fascinated by what you've just writteo as you are yourself, More, She begs you in read it out loud and, when you've finished, says gratefully: "Oh, that's wonderful", hecause she knows it's another 1,000 words she won't have to write.

Losing Control. hr Shirley Lowe and Angela Ince, is published tomorrow by Macdonald at

Dos and don'ts for nurses who want to work abroad

There is some hope that such stories as Phillipa's and Therese's will not recur. The Royal College of Nursing is revising its advice, bringing members (£45 a year) more up to date with current working conditions in Saudi Arabia.

The country, which was sutil recently the most popular foreign employer for British health workers, es lost its attraction not simply because of an increased sense of restriction among nurses but because currency movements are new having an adverse effect on the value of salaries paid to foreigners. The Saudi Government has also introduced taxes on what were previously maderstood to be tax-free earning Where once a staff nurse picked up £11,500 compared with about £4,000 in the health service, and could benefit by sometimes as much as 100 per cent from favorrable currency fluctuations, today the gap between British and Saudi salaries has considerably narrowed.

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Shelagh Murphy, head of the



-Hi-tech in a Riyadh hospital, but nursing morale can be low Royal College's international division, emphasizes that many nurses are unprepared for the great cultural and social differences in a Muslim country. In practical terms it means

no driving, no one-to-one dates. single sex compounds and in certain cases sexual harassment. It is not

considered a suitable job for nurses under 25, particularly in view of the

difficulty of resuming a career in Britain, at an appropriate level, because of staffing cuts. The advice of the Royal College to nurses who do decide to go is: "Don't discuss religion, step on a prayer

yoo have been introduced, show the soles of your feet, point a finger, write or say anything derogatory about the country's religion, people

Shelagh Murphy is trying to persuade the Saudi Embassy in Loudon to give more information to nurses before they accept jobs. She wants applicants to be interviewed by nurses who know the hospitals. and more information to be given about what will be expected of them, and what they might expect in terms of accommodation and recreational facilities before depature.

But her efforts to bridge the gap between the demands of European nurses to know what they are letting themselves in for and the Sandis' traditional approach may be too late for that country's repotation as an employer. A quick survey of nersing agencies last week indicated that Saudi Arabia is going out of fashion; most British nurses seeking a career abroad are looking to Australia.



Sweet crumbs of comfort for the doctor's dilemma



Of puddings and such, Doctor its other services (hospitality William Kitchener, whose best selling Cook's Oracle was published in 1804, is said to have said "It is true, that your with a historical theme and mere cook and no gentleman, underrates confectionery as an edulcorated bauble; but let me ask if any dinner is complete as to three fifths of its propriety, without the supervention of that delightful art?"

"Gunter, my friend", said the good doctor, "for the benefit of mankind, you ought to write a book on confectionerv as a companion to mine on the art of cooking". William Gunter needed no more encouragement, and in 1830 the frontispiece of Gunter's Confectioner's Oracle announced "recipes for desserts on the most economical plan for private families and all

ments of thirty years". Cakes and ices had been the foundation stone of the family fortunes laid at the sign of the Pot and the Pineapple in Berkeley Square in 1786. Queen Victoria's wedding and jubilee cakes were conspicuous commissions. In this century it was to Gunter's tea shops that lucky schoolboys were taken for that last tea of

the holidays. But the teashops closed in the 1950s and the once grand firm of Gunter's faded from

public view. With a takeover came rebeat slowly until the sugar has dissolved completely. Boil the vival, and to celebrate the bicentenary, Payne & Gunter, now based at British Grove, London W4 2NL has added to

menu of dishes current in the era celebrated.

In the heyday of the teashops, Gunter's brown bread ice cream was famous, but that recipe, like many of the firm's records and memorabilia, has been lost. William Gunter's ices usually began with 13 egg yolks and one and three quarter pints of cream. This modern brown bread ice cream is easy and rich. It needs no stirring as it freezes. The candied crumbs are a kind of poor man's praline, very good in its own right.

Brown bread ice cream Serves four 55g (2oz) fresh wholemeal 110g (4oz) sugar

300ml (½pt) double cream 1 tablespoon brandy Robust, crumbly wbolemeal bread is the best kind to use

for this recipe. Spread the crumbs oo a tray and toast or bake them until they are crisp and brown. Eight to 10 minutes in a moderately bot oven (200°C/400°F, gas mark 6) is about right. Put the sugar in a pan with six tablespoons of water and

syrup to a light caramei then

sur in the toasted crumbs.

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an oiled surface and cool. Finely crush and sieve the candied crumbs using a coffee grinder or pestle and mortar. Whisk the cream until it holds soft peaks then fold in the duction about ten years ago. brandy and crumb mixture.

Turn the cream into a flat plastic box or metal freezer tray, cover and freeze the ice without stirring until it is firm. in addition to The Confectioner's Oracle which be wrote for publication. William Gunter also kept a note-Quickly turn the mixture on to book of recipes for his own

use it contains the only formula I have seen for Thin Captains, very plain biscuits to serve with cheese which went out of commercial pro-

His notes are decidedly scanty "3lb flour, rub in 3oz butter, make your bay, put in butter, make your bay, put in they are lightly coloured. Cool 1/21b arrowroot, put water." He the Thin Captains on n wire does not mention salt, a little rack and store in an airtight of which is essential size or container. baking times. Followed exact-ly. William Gunter's Thin liam Gunter's notebook is a coloured after 15 to 20 min-ly. William Gunter's Thin liam Gunter's notebook is a

Thin Captains takes about 24 225g (8oz) plain flour %tsp salt

55g (2oz) butter, chilled 40g (1½oz) arrowroot 6-8 tablespoons cold water to mix

Sift the flour and salt into a bowl, add the diced butter and rub in with the fingertips until the mixture resembles fine breadcrumbs.

Make a well in the centre, and add the arrowroot. Gradually add cold water, stirring it in with a knife to form a firm dough. Gather the dough into a ball, knead it lightly, and transfer it to a lightly floured

surface. Allow the dough to rest, covered, for about 10 minutes, then roll the dough out thinly to a thickness of 3mm (%inch) or less and prick it all over with a fork. Use a 9cm (3½incb) round cutter to stamp out the biscuits and

transfer them to a lightly buttered baking sheet. Bake the crackers in a about 20 minutes, or until

Captains are very plain crack-, recipe for Abernethy Biscuits,... on a wire rack.

ers indeed. A little more fat named after Dr John makes a much more accept. Abernethy, chief surgeon St Bartholomew's Hospital in London. He is said to have been in the habit of ordering ordinary captain's biscuits when lunching near the hospi-tal at a baker's shop run by Jobn Caldwell. One day the great surgeon suggested adding sugar and caraway seeds. John Caldwell obliged and called the result Abernethy biscuits. This is F. Marian McNeill's version of the story and of the biscuits which go well with cheese. They are also excellent made with wholewheat flour.

Abernethy biscuits Makes about 24 225g (8oz) plain flour 85g (3oz) chilled butter 35g (3oz) sugar 1/stsp baking powder Up to a teaspoon caraway

3-4 tablespoons milk Rub the butter into the flour, add the sugar, baking powder and caraway seeds. Beat an egg well, and pour it into the dry

ingredients with milk. Mix thoroughly, and turn preheated moderate oven the paste on to a floured (180°C/350°F, gas mark 4) for board Roll out thinly, cut into rounds, place on a greased baking tin and bake in a preheated moderate oven (180°C/350°F, gas mark 4). The biscutts will be lightly



THE TIMES **DIARY**

Paper bag writer

A year after Arthur Scargill admitted defeat the normally retiring National Coal Board chairman lan MacGregor is to write his memoirs — for more than £100,000. Most of it will, I understand, concern the dispute-his relations with government ministers, the disputes with NCB men Ned Smith and Michael Eaton, and the use of tactics learned during his years in America. Clearly not naturally a man of words, MacGregor has picked journalist Rod Tyler to ghost the work. " I did a couple of interviews with him during the strike which he quite liked, and then met him again last year then mei him again last year almost by accident." Tyler tells me. In an auction yesterday morning, no fewer than four publishing houses stayed in the bidding as the price soared into six figures. The prize was finally wrested by Collins. By lunchtime. however, MacGregor was back to his old ways: refusing to comment on his windfall.

Dialling Dalyell Junior Foreign Office minister Tim Eggar may now have con-descended to invite the visiting Argentine politicians for a chat but the delegation, I'm told, is far keener on meeting a humble Labour backbencher. Tam Dalyell, apparently, is about a million times better known in Buenos Aires than either Eggar or his boss, Baroness Young, the minister who holds the Argentine hrief hut is keeping aloof from Eggar's olive

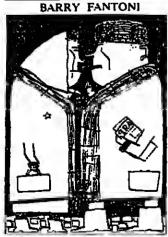
Down under pat Meanwhile, I hereby appoint Tim Eggar minister for Elegant Variation for the way he moved the the Australia Bill this month. Opposition MPs noticed that his speech bore an uncanny resemblance to that of Baroness Young in the Lords two weeks before. "Relations between Australia and the United Kingdom are of the greatest importance, began Lady Young. "Our relations with Australia are of the greatest importance to this country." opened Eggar. And so he continued, copying Lady Young verbatim at the end for 60 words. The Foreign Office yesterday saw nothing funny in all this. "Is there a law against it or something?" asked a

● Latest Tory wet argot for Mrs Thatcher: Mama Doc. And ber press secretary Bernard Ingham? Head of the Tonton Macoutes, of course,

Forget Westland; the Government could soon grind to a halt for a far more serious reason. Because of spending cuts Treasury civil servants no longer have messengers to serve them tea and, like lesser mortals, are having to make do with machine char

No lessens

Parents will be interested to know that London teachers taking part in industrial action have yet to lose a single penny from their pay packets. Although some inner London teachers have been away for a total of a month since last September, and despite keeping meticulous notes of who goes on strike and when, the Inner London Education Authority continues to pay salaries in full. There is, in fact, no legal obligation on ILEA to dock striking teachers' pay. "If that's what the ILEA is choosing to do to teachers who disrupt the system, it's up to them." said an official at the Education Department, ILEA, meanwhile, is responding true to form by setting up a special unil



We're thinking of bolding an event

Rhodes lobby

Dismayed by the Cahinet shift of balance to the wets after the recent resignations, Tory right-wingers are mounting a vigorous action to prevent the distinctly damp Chris Patten succeeding Sir Keith Josepb. who is expected to stand down as Education Secretary when the teachers' pay strike is settled. At a meeting of the hardline Black Hand group of MPs, it was decided that former headmaster Rhodes Boyson should be pushed for the joh (a hint promptly taken up by Boyson bimself at the weekend). The campaign got under way at PM's Question Time when Liberal Clement Freud urged that Joseph be replaced; several Black Handers on the backbenches responded by quictly chanting Boyson's name.

Tax: don't pick on petrol

by Sarah Hogg

Diana Geddes outlines the

follow the March elections

act speak

Siren voices have suggested that Nigel Lawson should recoup his lost oil revenue by pumping up petrol tax. This is a temptation he

should resist.

A fall in oil prices transfers resources from the Exchequer to consumers. It is argued, therefore, that Lawson should claw back a little rather than trim his plans for income tax cuts. The temptation is strong, because a little more petrol tax yields a lot of revenue.

Every penny on the price of a gallon brings in £55 million a year; add Ip on diesel fuel, Derv, and the yield rises to £70 million. A modest 5p rise in petrol duty, in line with general inflation, is aiready built into the Treasury's calculations of a "neutral" Budget. Suppose, instead, that petrol tax were to be increased by 20p, with an equivalent rise in Derv; that would yield the Chancellor rather more than an extra £1 billion. That would be enough to finance a £150 rise in all the main income tax allowances, or shave I p off the

basic rate of income tax. But this argument does not bear close investigation. Lawson's pur-

With the general election only a

month away, one particular ques-tion is exercising French minds who will be responsible for foreign

policy if, as the opinion polls firmly predict, victory goes to the right?

For the past 27 years it has always been the president who has always for Empart of international.

spoken for France at international

summits. Will France be represented in future both by the new

right-wing prime minister and the present Socialist president, who

will still have two years to serve?

Is it possible for a country to retain its credibility abroad if it speaks with two, possibly discordant,

Under the constitution of the

Fifth Republic, the division of responsibility for foreign policy and the closely related field of

defence is not clear. The president

is described as "the guarantor of national independence and terri-torial integrity" and commander-in-chief of the armed forces. But it

is the prime minister who is

"responsible for defence". The

president negotiates and ratifies

international treaties, but the

prime minister's counter-signa-ture is also necessary for ratifica-

tion. The president accredits ambassadors and foreign envoys.

hut the prime minister's counter-

struction of Europe and the im-

portance of creating a Paris-Bonn axis. As leader of the Socialist

Party in opposition he toured the world, meeting foreign leaders.

When be achieved power in 1981.

he was already well known inter-

nationally.

Shortly before the 1974 pres-

idential election be is reported to

have said: "If elected, Giscard will

be capable of grand acts. If I am elected, I will change the course of

things and the life of the men of

my time." Now, more than ever,

Significantly, Mitterrand has

just published a collection of 25 of his speeches on foreign affairs

over the past five years, preceded by a 135-page introduction. It is an elegant and enlightening tour

d'horizon of the world scene in

which his total domination of French foreign policy clearly emerges without ever needing to

Commenting on the book, Jac-

ques Amalric, diplomatic cor-respondent of Le Monde, wrote

earlier this month: "Like de

Gaulle, Mitterrand wants to give

us the image of a man alone, infallible, united to the 'sovereign people' . . . it is the tone of the

text, much more than the content,

which is without surprises, which

will make people grind their teeth.

"All the ingredients of Mitterrandian 'voluntarism' are there;

the good and the bad; the balance

between arrogance and condescen-

sion; the total rejection of any

doubt; the multiplicity of well-turned phrases; the bombast tem-

pered hy an art of exposition and

pedagogy rarely encountered in

writings on so dry a subject; the carefully premeditated provoca-

tions, and also the strong

In the opening sentences of the book, Milterrand sets out the "few

convictions.

be explicitly stated.

that is important for him.

François Minerrand has always had a passion for foreign policy. As a young deputy in the 1950s he talked ardently about the con-

signature is required.

pose in cutting taxes is, after all, simply to hand back purchasing power to private individuals. That is an aim that could naturally be achieved by a fall in energy costs, without the intervention of gov-ernment. Admittedly, the Chancellor wants to cut income tax, while a fall in oil prices is more like a cut in spending taxes. But if he is truly bothered about the balance between the two types of taxation he could finance lower income taxes by raising spending taxes across the board. He could raise £67,5 million (or nearly

adding 1 per cent to VAT. This is an unlikely option because it would plainly add to prices, slowing the fall in inflation. So, however, would an increase in petrol tax, which would prevent the full benefits of lower energy. the full benefits of lower energy costs feeding through to the retail price index.

£1 billion in a full year) simply by

But the Chancellor is actually being encouraged to slow the fall in oil prices for fear that it will

turn us back into gas-guzzlers when we have barely learnt the meaning of energy conservation.
Oil prices may well bounce back as stocks are run down; official forecasts anyway assume they will rise in the next decade. A "conservation tax" levy on petrol would meanwhile keep us on the straight and narrow path of en-

This argument, however, fits singularly ill with the government's philosophy. The theme of Lawson's own rhetoric is that governments are not very good at these kind of forecasts and should certainly not manipulate markets on the strength of them. If he were to change his tune, he would face some awkward questions. If governments should intervene to fix the price of energy, why not other prices? Why not wages, for that matter?

In the end, the argument boils down to the sneaking bope that there just might be a free political lunch to be extracted from the oil

markets. Since the fall in the price of crude has not yet fed through to retail prices, the Chancellor might be able to raid the petrol user and still be thanked for returning the loot in income tax cuts.

Even this overtly political argument is naive. A sharp rise in petrol tax would give oil companies the perfect excuse to slow the fall in petrol prices, or even conspire to put them up again, so that the government would earn the discredit for far more than it imposed in extra taxes. Today's House of Commons is not in a mood to turn a blind eye to government sleight-of-hand. Nor is it sufficiently keen on income tax cuts to appreciate the swap of dearer petrol for higher take-home

pay. Finally, such a Budget measure would display a quite unnecessary impatience. The strangest quirk of fate is that lower oil prices, while leaving the Chancellor short of largesse to distribute in 1986, actually enlarges his opportunity to cut tax the following year. And that, after all, will be much closer to the next general election.

foreign policy split that could

race and inbalance of forces.

The French right is firmly in favour of French participation.
Jacques Chirac, the RPR leader, said recently that he was "deeply shocked at the government's irresponsible attitude towards SDI." SDI would go ahead whether France liked it or not; the Can a double for France?

position by coming out in favour of individual French companies taking part in SDI research. So here again, a head-on clash between a new right-wing govern-ment and President Mitterrand could be avoided. Much will depend on the willingness of both sides to come to an amicable understanding in the interests of a peaceful "cohabitation".

trump card, in the form of a decree of 1964 which gives the president sole control over France's nuclear deterrent. Obviously, it is argued, that control would be rendered meaningless unless the president also had responsibility for the decisions related to its use in the field of foreign and defence policy, particularly East-West relations.

agrees. Ex-president Giscard d'Estaing, for example, argues that, faced with a hostile majority in parliament during an international crisis that appeared to warrant the use of nuclear weapons, the president would be deprived of virtually all powers save that of dissolving parliament and pressing the hutton.

Although the opinion polls continue to show a solid majority with each block named after they also sbow a smaller majority believing that the centre of power should remain with the president, and not the prime minister, in the event of a right-wing victory.

"France Is still basically a kingdom," a former French for-eign minister explained. "People tend to forget that this country has been a republic for only just over 100 years. All the people's gut reactions are royalist. The presi-dent is king, and the French would hate to behead a king. Even if they do not like him, be remains the king until he goes away. They will not want their king to be humiliated by being stripped of all

power. If Chirac, who is considered most likely to be the next prime minister, wishes to avoid a constitutional clash, he would probably be wise to leave the broad sweep of foreign affairs to Mitterrand. If, on the other hand, Mitterrand also wishes to avoid a clash, he would do well to avoid taking controversial unilateral decisions such as welcoming General Jaruselski of Poland to the Elysée Palace last year without even bothering to discuss the visit with his prime minister.

American strategic defence initia-tive — "Star Wars". Mitterrand devotes a large chunk (16 pages) of The two men must be seen to be working with the full confidence the introduction to his book to and trust of the other, otherwise anexplanation of Socialist antipa-thy to the project, arguing that France's voice ahroad can only be

while it was unlikely to strengthen either French or European security in the foreseeable future, it was certain to provoke a new arms race and inbalance of forces.

only question was whether France would remain on the sidelines or take part. It is not clear, bowever, what form of participation the

opposition envisages.

Meanwhile the present government appears to have softened its

The constitution leaves one

But by no means everyone

sense of decency into the public

world. It cannot just remain

closeted in the private world of

In our schools, teachers have

bickered for a year over their pay.

Almost all our public services are

unspeakably grubby. Officials bide their time during the day to nip off to do their second job. The British

think of themselves increasingly

as consumers rather than produc-

ers; we are far, far better at

Privatization is a political and

financial ploy built on this percep-

tion. It creates so little public stir

because hardly anyone now says,

who shall British Gas belong

to?". They ask "what has British Gas (or British Telecom) ever

We need to know ourselves, if

we are ever to know what to do

next. The present government has

often seen the massaging, or even

non-collection, of statistics as one

way to dodge hazards. Yet there is

never a case for ignorance. As New

Society has always tried to do, we

must attempt to look at the world

again through untinted spectacles.

The author was editor of New

Society from 1968,

Paul Barker

done for me?"

retailing than making ships.

family and friends.

Roger Liddle

The true face of Fulham

The press had already christened Fulham the "yuppie" by-election well before I was told that I had been selected as the prospective SDP/Liberal Alliance candidate. So the first few hours enjoying my new-found status were spent worrying about what exactly a yuppie was, and whether, by any stretch of the imagination, I so

Should we invite American senator Gary Hart - remember, be was the yuppie Democrat seeking the 1984 presidential election — to come over for the campaign? He might offer a definitive description of this elusive being and perhaps I could borrow a few of his "new ideas" which are supposed to have such election-winning appeal to the yuppie class. But that would be carrying my love of America to

So, in search of the mysterious common identity, I rifled my drawers for the odd Liberty tie. Also I remembered that, unlike the last campaign I fought, a downbeat Euro election in British Leyland-dominated Oxford, our Volkswagen GTI might come in handy. Then I paused for hreath in all the excitement, and it suddenly struck me that the "yuppie" analysis had got Fulham com-pletely wrong.

The key to the result in Fulham

is not whether the Alliance can win over substantial numbers of middle-class voters from the Conservatives. I only had to knock on about six doors in a smart street near Parsons Green before I concluded that there will be little difficulty in that direction. People are worried about whether the present government approach has struck the right balance. There is increasing concern about the dangers of a sharp swing to a far-left Labour government as the era of Thatcherism draws to a close and our voting system remains unreformed.

The big battle at Fulham is over bow many votes the Alliance can win from Labour on the council estates which comprise more than a third of the constituency. This is the key to an Alliance victory. If Labour can consolidate its traditional support, that might be enough to ensure its victory, Imagine my delight, therefore, wben I discovered that as in Lambeth, the Labour vote, far from consolidating, is ripe for

picking.
Fulham was once a strong
Labour area, Part of the present constituency was represented continuously from 1945 to 1979 by Michael Stewart, Labour's foreign secretary in the 1960s. In a settled working-class community memories of sucb distinguished service take time to fade.

One of the largest bousing estates is called the Clem Attlee, Labour cabinets. I brushed a tear from my eye as I had my photograph taken outside Hugh Gaitskell House. I have already repeated to sympathetic listeners on the doorstep hundreds of times over that Labour is no longer the party of Attlee, Jim Callaghan and Denis Healey but the party of Ted Knight, Arthur Scargill and Bernie

Some time ago part of the old Barons Court constituency was amalgamated with Fulham. Barons Court was a fiercely-contested, two-party marginal. The Margravine ward surrounding the new Charing Cross Hospital once boasted 1,000 Labour party members. Now, I am authoritatively told, there are 59.

On the housing estates loyalty to Labour is only skindeep. Many turned to Mrs Thatcher in 1979 and again in 1983, but the "broken promises" and the view that the government is "ail over the place" ofien leads on to the promise that we're going to give you lot a go

Among the majority who stayed Labour in the two previous elections, the commitment to Kinnock and his colleagues is as firm hahit, not enthusiasm and convic-tion, with many promises to think seriously about voting SDP when the time comes. The common refrain is "Labour's not as strong as it used to be" and I have been told scores of times that Labour spends all its time and energy fighting within itself and not the

Working people are beginning to understand that Labour is not offering them the representation they deserve. In Parliament it is ineffective; and most trade unions cannot face the future boldly because their leaders are unrepresentative and unimaginative.

Readers may well ask: if there is such deep unease with Labour as I say, why is it still seriously in contention? Why isn't the Alliance riding high at over 40 per cent in the national polls and Labour down in the twenties? The answer is that the working-class districts of Futham are typical of much of the country. To the Alliance they are virtually virgin territory.

David Owen and David Steel

make an impact on television, but, except where small bands of dedicated activists have pursued community politics" with religious fervour, the Alliance has not hitherto been seen as a real choice. Without a big effort it is difficult in normal political circumstances to break through the established Labour networks of local councillors, tenants associations and community cenassociations and community cen-tres which often set the tone, especially where this creaking machinery is greased by generous grants from the GLC and other left-wing councils. Labour in Lon-don today depends in about equal proportions on Tammany Hall and Trotsky.

By-elections give us a unique opportunity to get our message workers flooding in removes the handicaps we normally face in winning working-class support. Come to Fulham and see the Labour vote crumble.

moreover . . . Miles Kington

Treasure trove of trivia

Fact: Mrs Jeeraswami's bot curry essence (of Madras Ltd) is the strongest known sauce in the world. One drop placed in the River Ganges can kill swimmers

up to 50 miles away.
Fact: A Belgian genealogist calculated in 1905 that if Queen
Victoria had lived another nine years, everyone in Europe would have been descended from ber-Fact: The Sumatran marsh hunting is the only bird in the world known to cough — and always puts its wing in front of its

beak as it does so. Fact: No American president has ever been assassinated before being sworn in.

All these facts, and 49,000,000 more like them, are to be found in a new 29-volume work, the Encyclopaedia Fontastica. The first reference work in the world devoted entirely to useless know-ledge, it is being published simultaneously hy Moreover Publications as a hardback, a floppy disk and a board game.

Lord Moreover, our founder and prime mover of the scheme, has this to say: "The modern world seems to be drowning in quiz games and trivial pursuits and mastermind rounds and heaven knows what. You can do one of two things about it. You can try and light it, or you can try and make a packet out of it. Anyone who knows me will not be surprised to hear that I have opted for the latter. Did you know, by the way, that if you took all the Georgian huildings away from Bath, it would be the ugliest city in the world? Fascinating, ch?"

This is the first ever encyclopaedia which is also a game. Plug it into your office memory bank and you can then play any other office in the world, in the middle of the night if necessary, because the encyclopaedia not only answers the questions, it also sets them! No humans need be involved at all.

Fact: The reason that communism is now doing so badly in Chad is that Gorbachov is an obscene word in a local dialect.

Fact: More than 99 per cent of the Valentine messages printed in newspapers are not read by the

people for whom they are intended, only by outsiders. Fact: In 1947 Sidney Schwanz of Kansas City swam from one end of the Panama Canal to the other. thus becoming (a) the first man to swim several hundred yards uphill, and (b) the first man to cross a continent wearing only under-

Fact: More than 4,000 sbeep in New Zealand had sex change operations last year, but only two chose to become rams; the rest opted to become ewes, probably a reaction to New Zealand's heavily

male-dominated society.

There are 48,999,996 similar facts in the Encyclopaedia Fantastica, the new hite of uselessness. The entire work has been sifted by computer to said. been sifted by computer to get rid of useful facts which might have strayed in. There was an entry, for example, recording that in the Pacific Islands Telephone named tory there are 12 people named Philips Screwdriver. We thought that might be useful to somebody. so we reluctantly knocked it out.

This monument of irrelevance could in fact be very useful, opines Lord Moreover. "After all, the power struggle between # Guinness and Argyll could easily have been settled cheaply if they had just sat down and played a game of Fantastica, winner to take Distillers. It's as sensible as any other method devised to govern takeovers. And if cabinet meetings were devoted to sessions of Fantastica, we wouldn't have had all this Westland nonsense. Fact: The most delinquent fish in

the world is the Bubble Gum Bass of Australia. It hangs around on coral reef corners, beating up larger fish and vandalizing atoli

growth. Fact: The British national anthem is believed to be the only one which does not mention the name of the nation involved.

Fact: When Marilyn Monroe died. she left behind an unfinished film which was so unfinished that she was not in it.

Fact: The Encyclopaedia & Fontastica is on sale now, at only f1.000 until March 31. After that it will go up to its normal price of £15,000. Get it now while you can. Sorry, no credit cards,

Making Britain aware of its warts

As I came away from New Society's offices on my last day as editor, it was like going out into the Third World. Westminster City Council's pavements were broken. In Leicester Square the expensive cast-iron repro bollards only show up the squalor of their surroundings.

In the Underground, refugees from down-and-out hostels and mental bospitals lie around. At the foot of the escalator a man with a broken nose and a bruised face sits cross-legged, begging. On the platform we wait 25 minutes for a rrain - there has been a signals failure. When I reach my stop the lifts are out of order. Of course.

Is this the "new society" people had in mind when the magazine was founded almost a quarter century ago in 1962? In the later 1950s Professor J. K. Galbraith had been deriding a world of private affluence and public squalor. Everyone in the West is now better off than when he wrote. Yet where there were "slums", now there is "inner city". The search

for cuphemism is constant. So is the discrepancy between rich and poor. And, more complex, there is the discrepancy between the double-glazed lounge with its television and the streets full of litter or the parks spotted

simple ideas" around which he

considers French foreign policy to

be organized and which he be-

lieves to have majority support:

national independence; a world

balance of military forces; the

construction of Europe; the right of peoples to self-determination;

Third World development.

Through the pages comes a deep love of France marked by an

overriding concern with its great-

There is little with which his

opponents could legitimately qua-

rrel, but with an election im-

minent the two main opposition

parties, the Gaullist RPR and the

centre-right UDF, lambast the

Socialists for ideological prej-udices and a multiplicity of dis-

organized initiatives (which) have

contributed to the removal of our

country from the international

its moral authority.

scene and to the undermining of

of having "broken the defence effort with the following results:

The government is also accused

ness and independence.

with dog excrement The hardest thing, always, is to grasp what is actually going on in the world around us. Most of the time we live in a muddle of hope and fear, dream and nostalgia. Over the years New Society tried to cut through that to the social reality. We always had the stance of an outsider.

To keep a distance has been useful. We avoided political and literary gossip (leaving that to the older weeklies). In particular we were not caught up in the system of lobby hriefings - now so vividly conducted by my nearcontemporary at Hebden Bridge Grammar School, Bernard

In 1976 an unexpected guest came into the editorial office, carrying copies of cabinet minutes. They revealed how the then Labour government was thinking of ratting on its commitment to bring in child benefit. Frank Field wrote the story; we published it. The commitment was honoured.

It was one of the first skirmishes in the battle for a Freedom of Information Act: the current draft bill derives from a study group set up after our leak. But as a distinguished lobby correspondeni told me afterwards, be would

never have been able to touch the story bimself. It would have put his lobby hriefings at risk. A magazine stands or falls by its

uncertain developments in the nuclear field; a disorganized and

worried army; a question mark

over the future of the navy; and an

But opposition policies look remarkably similar to what the

Socialists are proposing: streng-

thening the domestic economy in

order to strengthen France's po-

sition ahroad; the defence of individual liberties and human

rights; close relations with the US

within the Atlantic alliance; vigi-

lance and firmness toward Mos-

cow, the construction of a strong

Europe based on the Franco-

German partnership; strengthen-

ing France's nuclear deterrent, and

modernizing its conventional

is over French participation in the

The main point of disagreement

inadequate air force".

information and its writers. We established a network of academics who could weld together research and observation about current problems. Corruscating alongside these were such contributors as Angela Carter, John Berger, Colin MacInnes. We gave E. P. Thompson a platform when he was denied one elsewhere. Our critics - Peter Fuller on painting, Michael Wood on the cinema, John Lahr on the theatre - always saw that the arts could not be separated from society.

Much bas changed in that society since the magazine was launched, as a very risky venture, by Timothy Raison and his father. Radical hut humane; hopeful but rational: have these become adjectives now impossible to cling to? At many times in the past two decades we have beard almost nothing but the sound of rival dogmas clashing like the armies of the night. An Orwellian sense of decency among ordinary people

remains however I his is what we have to cline to. rather than the militancies of the party theologians. All the virtues are nonconformist ones. The hig

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the consistency, malevolence

and bald bravura that the print

union chapels have displayed

such a record would have

caused - and indeed it has

caused - the loss of jobs on a

massive scale. In most cases

after damaging strike action

workers have been allowed to

return to their jobs. But the

triumphant return was often

an illusory one. The jobs

appeared to be there to come

back to. In fact, the employers'

markets had been lost to

foreign competition. Con-

sequently the jobs were lost

too but the connectioo be-

tween strikes and job losses

The oewspaper industry

ioteroational

was, of course, immune from

competitition. Le Monde,

whatever its merits, was no

substitute for The Times. But

there remained the dispropor-

tionate wages that the workers

had won; also the exaggerated

loyalty that the members felt

to their chapel officers and the

minimum loyalty they felt to

their real employers. Thus

grew the fatalism in the minds

As long as there was no

alternative place to print a

national newspaper and no

guarantee that the operation of

an alternative site could oot be

blacked by secondary action

against distributors and

suppliers, there was oothing

that could be done. Only when

there was such a site and such a

guarantee, was there the pros-

whose representatives and

political supporters are hurling

daily abuse (and recently more

lethal missives) outside the

Wapping plant have been lost.

me brush colour primung

industry which for years

seeped slowly to Amsterdam

and Singapore. The difference

is that they disappeared all at

once. The fiction that after a

strike there was always a job to

come back to was revealed as

be forgiven, of course, for thinking that this revelation

was made in rather a brutal

way. For the print workers

whose families were entirely

dependent on their wages from

News International it was

indeed traumatic. Even for

some of the employees who

kept their jobs it was a

But what appeared to the

public as a swift and clinically

executed operation had been

recognised as an option by the

print union leaders for some

time. Brenda Dean complains

that her union has been "le-

gally mugged". But it should

be remembered that six days

before she and her colleagues

led their members out on

strike they had seen the first

product of the Wapping print

plant, a special supplement of

The Sunday Times, and they

disturbing experience.

The casual observer could

just that - a fiction.

The jobs of the printworkers

pect of change.

of newspaper managers,

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remained resolutely unmade.

In those other industries

for so many years.

weeks since The Times moved from the lawyer-dominated world of the Gray's Inn Road to the docklands site of some of the capital's newest high technology industries. During that time the transformation in the newspaper's production would not have disgraced the most adventurous of our new oeighbours; sadly, however, our old neighbours are ever more with us.

It is regrettable that the work of lawyers is required simply to ensure that those who want to buy The Times are not thwarted. But when the obstacles between the paper and its readers include darts, drill bits and blackened golf balls as well as illegal attempts to threaten customers and suppliers it should surprise noone that the force of law is our first defeoce.

been a cootroversial one. It has been welcomed by those who see it as a vindication of the government's stance towards trade unions. It has been welcomed by those who see a sign that the industrial climate in Britain is improving. The criticism has come - no less predictably - from commercial opponents who fear trade unions, from those who support trade unions whatever they do, and those who rely oo them for financial and political support. The debate has been carried on everywhere at a distractingly high volume.

Amid the noise of the battle it has become a commooplace to call the oewspaper industry a microcosm of Britain's industrial disease. With its loog record of indifferent management, almighty unions, "spanish practices", over-manning and financial under-performance, it seems the obvious candidate. Add in the glamour of a paper's political influence and the seemingly outrageous tendency of its writers to lecture the country about its economic ills and the candidate is elected effortlessly to the position of

argue in recent days that because in the Wapping distrade union leader as Miss Brenda Dean has been met with barbed wire barricades, has lost control of her union funds and can do little to garner fellow trade unionists' support for her case, that tory and should be changed. This view is held oot only by — prime minister's wings in ev-

on faulty premises as well as high emotion. As important as any requirement of The Times

The newspaper business represents an exaggerated picture of Britain's industrial ills, oot a typical one. Other industries have been run as proprietorial playthings but oot to the extent that news-

papers have. Other industries had seen it successfully distribhave encouraged grotesque uted to its readers. The ballot wages and conditions in order papers issued to her members to damage their competitors contained the warning that a but not oo the scale practised strike would be a breach of in Fleet Street. In other ineach individual's contract of dustries agreements by unions employment And still the have been signed one day and leaders launched the strike. disowned the next but oot with

Why? Was it because so many of the individual members were so little dependent on earnings from News International that they were happy to make a political gesture? Was it because the leaders therefore saw the strike as inevitable whether they called il or oot?

Or was it because they were determined to break the law on secondary action and turn the plant into a factory without a marketplace? Was the cause of the strike stupid leadership. selfish leadership, political ambitioo or a pig-headed desire to break an uncongenial law? It is hard to know.

The strikers have found some enthusiastic bedfellows. Mr Neil Kinnock's decision to black journalists from News loternational's papers - his own personal brand of secondary action - is an unusual misjudgement even from this famous misjudger of the public mood. The failure of the National Union of Journalists to see its interest in behaving like a realistic, modern trade union instead of supporting a boycott campaign against papers on which hundreds of its members are employed, is as sadly predictable. For the

TUC as a whole it is one more issue with which it must struggie before it can grasp a new future. However muchthe government's political oppooents and nervous supporters try to present Wapping as a watershed, as a proof that the trade unioo movement is oow an endangered species that requires special protection, they will not succeed. It is oot just the law that has changed it is the deepest feelings of the

public about union power.
Newspapers may be bignews today. Brenda Dean may be an acceptable mask on the face of old-style trade union-From such a starting point it those of their union colleagues ism, and Rupert Murdoch an ing attacks. But the dispute at Wapping is just one hrick in that wall which has risen mexorably between the unions and the public. Compared with the miners strikes and the winter of discootent it may not even turn out to be a very large

> The harsh face of old trade union power is not to be hidden. In Fleet Street it still manifests itself in corruptioo and censorship. In the rest of industry it reveals itself in rigidly enforced restrictions and inadequate productivity.

The unions' traditional response to change has been to keep the law out of industrial relations. The Wapping dis-pute began when News International failed to negotiate cootracts of employment that would be legally bioding on both sides - not a bosses' charter but a deal to which both sides could be held in law. The future of the unioo movement must now lie with those who are prepared to exploit just such opportunities. They have have to learn to use the law. The alternative is to go oo breaking it - and themselves.

the sort of better life which all of

It will certainly be done, as it is

being done today, by fewer people

working in industry as factories

are increasingly mechanised and

as the full power of the application

of information technology is brought to bear. It is this process

which is the enabling mechanism for the better life and it is this

process that those of us who work

in industry and those who have

launched Industry Year hope to

Mr Bradley's article shows what

coovey to our fellow citizens.

a very long way we have to go. Yours faithfully,

Imperial Chemical Industries, plc, Imperial Chemical House,

Sir, The decision to refer to the

Monopolies Commission mergers like those suggested by United

Biscuits and Imperial, Guinness

and Distillers, and GEC and Plessey raises important strategie

In all three cases the effect

would have been to create merged

units of a size able in compete with

the many powerful US. European

and Japanese companies now

increasingly dominating the world

scene; and for example the Leyland/Bedford truck merger

provides a scale that neither could

achieve on its own. It is a

nonsense to inhibit that sort of

synergy on the basis that together

the merged units have a logically

dominant position in the rel-atively small British market. That type of "little Englander" policy

displays an ignorance of commer-cial reality which will cost us all a

very high price in the longer term.

chial it is easy to have a whole host

of companies competing in the same home market; but how many

will be effective (or even in

business) in 10 years' time?

Equally important, how many of

them will be strong enough to

avoid being taken over by foreign

companies in the long run?

To trade in a heavyweight world

market Britain must think big. It

needs an industrial strategy

founded on commercial logic

rather than shortsighted bureau-cratic principles. A review of Britain's policy oo mergers is

overdue.

Yours truly.

By being doctrinaire and paro-

JOHN HARVEY-JONES,

Chairman.

Millbank, SWI.

issues for Britain.

Merger issues

From Sir Michael Edwardes

us look forward to.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Why Industry Year is so vital

From the Chairman of Imperial ('hem:cul Industries, ple Sir, if ever the case of Industry

Year was made in a telling way, it was in Mr Ian Bradley's article (February 8). It would be hard to find a better example, both of total lack of understanding of what iodustry is about and the necessity for it, as well as muddled thinking about the ways in which the desirable characteristics of the post-industrial era can be applied in Britain.

 I can only assume that Mr Bradley has little or no knowledge of what comprises modern industry. The idea that industrialists want to return to "dark satanio mills". "the drudgery of the production line", shows a lack of understanding of modern industrial thinking and processes which must be almost unique to this

country. No one, to the best of my knowledge, has ever argued that there are not plenty of ways of contributing to the gross national product which may be more in keeping with people's wishes for

the future. Nobody has attempted to argue that we do oot need a change in the attitude to work and that success in industrial wealth creation, carried out by a much smaller number of people than hitherto, will not enable us to look for the sort of gentle, imaginative, co-operative lifestyle which Mr Bradley yearns for.

I have seen little evidence, in contradiction to Mr Bradley, that people in this country are prepared to forgo Japanese television sets, American video shows, foreign cars, and even such humble items as foreign-made hand tools and garden implements.
But how, in Mr Bradley's dream

world, are these things going to be paid for? Is he seriously suggesting that, by entering into a sort of idealised do-it-yourself future, we will make our green and pleasant land so full of tourists that we will earn enough money to buy not only all the manufactured goods, but also some of the produce to which we have become accus-tomed, like bananas and oranges, which do not grow readily in our climate?

A prerequisite of being able to move into a new society for the future is that we have an industry and extractive industries that can earn our country's living overseas. These will have to provide very attractive products at low cost. It is this which will enable our society to have choices and it is this that can enable us to develop

Minors and GPs

port, February 13) concerning the

provision of contraceptive advice

to children under the age of 16 are surely to be applauded as a

carefully balanced approach to the

difficult question of the right to

confidentiality in medical consultation before the "age of

The five points made by Lord

Fraser, in his judgment on the case brought by Mrs V. Gillick, effec-

tively require the doctor to assess the maturity of the child before

deciding whether or how to pro-

We believe that a minor has

rights to confidentiality in medical consultation, which should not be

lightly overruled, but that the power to give valid consent and the right to claim secrecy from

one's parents run in close parallel

and depend on maturity. Hence,

when the doctor assesses the

maturity of his patient, the extent

to which he accords her

confidentiality must depend on

If he concludes that the girl is

clearly immature and in a situa-

tion of serious moral or physical

danger, he may decide that she needs help and that this can only

properly be given by her parents or

It is right that the General Medical Council have clearly shown that to seek such help in a

case of this sort is a proper exercise

Sir. In modifying their rules on contraceptive advice to teenagers

the General Medical Council refer

to the contractual nature of the

relationship between doctor and

of clinical judgment.

17 Grange Drive,

Chisleburst, Kent.

From Dr John Rogan

L. M. JESSIMAN, Master,

Guild of Catholic Doctors,

that assessment

guardian.

ceed in such a consultation.

Catholic Doctors

consent".

patient. This relationship is based on the age-old tradition of the From the Master of the Guild of of medical confidence and not on a wholly Sir, The new guidelines issued by the General Medical Council (reinappropriate application of the

MICHAEL EDWARDES.

52 Grosvenor Gardens, SW1.

law of cootract. Hitherto the only permissible breach of confidence has been a case of serious crime when the maintenance of secrecy seemed likely to result in death or injury to others,

Bearing in mind the political, religious and legal pressures on the council, their latest rulings are understandable but weak and unacceptable in practice. Yours faithfully JOHN ROGAN. Oak Lodge, Kiln Way,

Grayshott, Hindhead Surrey.

Smallpox virus

From Professor Colin Kaplan Sir, The statement by the Minister of State for Defence, as reported in yesterday's edition (February 11), needs to be corrected. Smallpox has, indeed, been eradicated from the world, but "occasional cases" do not and have not occurred (with the exception of the sad and regrettable episode in Bir-mingham a few years ago).

Rumours and reports of cases do, however, occur. All such events are thoroughly investieated always with the co-operation of World Health Organisation epidemiologists and specialist lab-oratories in the USA and USSR. No report or rumour of smallpox has been confirmed, although positive diagnoses have been made of other conditions such as chickenpox, herpes simplex, and - mainly in Zaire - human infection with monkey-pox virus. Yours faithfully,

COLIN KAPLAN, The University of Reading, Department of Microbiology, London Road, Reading,

Prehistoric site endangered

From Professor B. W. Cunliffe, FBA, and others Sir. During this last summer the longest public enquiry into a single planning issue in Northern Ireland was held over an application to extend the quarrying of limestone at Navan in Co. Armagh. The enquiry brought out the basic

Navan is a remarkable complex of later prehistorie archaeological sites, and it is known to be Emain Macha, the early historic capital of Ulster and centre of Ireland's great heroic literary tradition, the Ulster Cycle. As a combination of Cehic prehistory and historical identity and legend it is unique in the British Isles and is recognised by all academic authorities as of remarkable importance to the history of European culture.
The commercial and employ

conflict of interests involved.

ment interests of the quarry could be satisfied by relocating it outside the area of academic significance. The enquiry also highlighted the failure of the planning authorities, who have permitted quarrying to go on unauthorised for a decade and so have failed to grasp the nettle of the imcompatibility of commercial development and the historic culture of the community at this site.

The proposal has naturally aroused worldwide protests from archaeologists and celticists concerned with the origins of the Irish language and identity. Of more interest perhaps has been the response within Northern Ireland. where notoriously the absence of a shared culture has divided the two communities in the province. In a remarkable exception to this division opposition to further quarrying came from the full range of the political spectrum.

If the quarry is allowed to continue for longer than it takes to find another site, it will have been encouraged to invest plant and equipment and open up new areas for working. In these circum-stances it would be able to come up with a fresh application for more land, and the story would only end wheo the site had been removed entirely, apart from the one element which is in State care. Yours faithfully, BARRY CUNLIFFE,

C. F. C. HAWKES, MARTYN JOPE, STUART PIGGOTT. University of Oxford, Institute of Archaeology, 36 Beaumont Street.

Space disaster

From Mr A. T. Crow draws attention to the difference in reaction to the loss of the space shuttle between the confident Americans and the pessimistic Britons and quotes the inspiring words expressing man's drive to explore space written by H. G. Wells in his Things To Come. However, it may be pertinent to point out that Wells himself in later life came to view the future with the utmost pessimism. In his last essay, Mind at the End of its Tether, published in 1945, he wrotes

Our universe is ... going clean out of existence, leaving not a wrack behind.

Of course he did not expect many to share his belief, but there can he no doubt that he sincerely held it himself. Yours sincerely ALAN CROW. Merrowdown. Wharton. Leominster Herefordshire.

Seen along the line

From Mr Philip Benham Sir, Professor Dunstan (February 1) and Peter White (February 10) will no doubt be pleased to learn that they no longer have to rely on a 1936 publication by the former London & North Eastern Railway

to guide them on their way.

The English Tourist Board and British Rail are now jointly producing just such lineside guides for the enjoyment of our customers. So far two booklets have been produced, one covering the East Coast mainline route from London King's Cross to York. Newcastle and Scotland, and the other the Western Region route out of Paddington to Bristol, Cardiff and Penzance. Yours faithfully,

P. M. BENHAM, Area Manager, British Rail (Eastern), 37 Tanner Row, York.

Drugs in prison

Sir, I noted with concern the prisoners", which will therefore be the main message taken away by

There is no conflict of policy competition with any other in-terest of the service the direct

to clear confusion over the question of the provision of geoeral medical care. Eighty-eight of the 120-odd prison medical establishments in England and Wales receive all their medical cover from part-time medical officers, whose main job is as a general practitioner in the National Health Service with a practice in

All the other establishments which employ one or more full-time medical officers are also dependent upon the services of part-time medical officers, who come in as local GPs and provide general medical services as required for the inmate patients.

those jobs which several interest groups recommend they should

The third and most important point is to state clearly and categorically that the Prison Medical Service is only empowered to prescribe pharmaceutical drugs for the individual benefit of the iomate patient and medical officers are clearly aware of the strictly limited conditions under which drugs may be used without full consent; that is, it is done to save the patient's life, or when other lives may be at risk, or when such interventioo is the minimum required to prevent an irretrievable deterioration in the condition of the patient. Any breach of these rules re-

ported would be the subject of immediate investigation. Thank you for the opportunity to make these, I trust, very clear

observations.

Yours faithfully, JOHN L KILGOUR, Director, Prison Medical Service. HM Prison Service Headquarters, Cleland House, Page Street, SW1. February 14.

ON THIS DAY

FEBRUARY 19 1884

In December 1883 the British Government ordered the abandonment of the Sudan. General Charles George Gordon (1833-85) was sent out there, his mission being to effect the withdrawal of the garrisons and evacuate the country. His proclamation on arrival at Khartoum was not wholly favourably received at home, in

particular his opinion that slaver hould be retained made him and the Government subject to considerable criticism. On January 26 1885 Gordon was killed when Khartoum fell to the forces of the Mahdi.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

(From Our Correspondents)
ENGLAND, EGYPT AND THE SOUDAN (by Eastern Company's Cables) Khartoum, Feb 18, 3.30pm General Cordon's arrival here this morning led to a wonderful demon-

stration of welcome by the people thousands of them crowding to kiss his hands and feet, and calling him the "Sultan of the Soudan." His speech to the people was received with enthusiasm. He said: I come without soldiers, but with God on my side, to redress the evils of the Soudan. I will not fight with any weapons but justice. There shall be no more Bashi-Bazouks."
It is now believed that he will relieve the Bahr Gazelle garrisons without firing a shot. Since they heard that he was

coming the aspect of the people has had so changed that there are no longer any fears of disturbances in the town. They say that he is giving them more than even the Mahdi could give. He is sending out proclamations in

Such is the influence of one m that there are no longer any fears for the garrison of people of Khartoum.

LATER criticizing Genera Refore Gordon's proclamation, it is well to await the receipt of its exact terms. Meanwhile, it does not appear startling to those who are best acquainted with his views. The recognition of the Mahdi as Emir of Kordofan he had already telegraphed as a probable step; and it is one which, after all, does not amount to stupendous generosity. The remission of half the taxation

is merely dividing zero into frac-

As regards the question of slavery no one is more sincere and thorough in his detestation of the trade than General Gordon; but no one is more ready to recognize facts and turn them to practical account utterly regardless of purely senti-COMBI dways maintained that it was impossible to destroy the trade by operations in the Soudan. Such ttempts have had two effects first to render the traffic more difficult, and therefore more cruel to the victims; secondly, to cause perpetual wars in the Soudan, with a consequently inferior standard of

overnment in it.

The sole remedy, even if this territory were under English government, would be to suppress the demand for slaves by abolishing he markets or them in Turkey and Egypt. England having decided to bandon the Soudan, General Gordon acquiesced in the advisability of allowing its inhabitants selfgovernment. This concession im-plied a continuation of the slave rade, and any indignation is herefore now mistimed. General Gordon is only proclaiming openly what everyone knows to be the inevitable consequences of our policy. The British Government would probably have been better satisfied if he had continued to make use of professions of hostility to the trade, while practically freeing it - just as they protest against protection and practically protect. But General Gordon has a habit of calling things by their proper names. England decided the question, he acquiesced in the decision, and is not ashamed to

acknowledge it... The public may regret the immoral tendencies of remote savages to lavedcaling, cannibalism, and other vices; but they are beyond the reach of our arm, and it is unwise to e enunciating moral truisms at the cost of perpetual war. Practical philanthropists had better confine their energies to practical measures for which they possess the requisite power, and here they may do much. An enforced registration of and a heavy taxation upon the possession of existing slaves, and a declaration of the illegality of any future purchase or transfer of them, would do more than millions of money and the thousands of lives wasted in the Soudan during the last 15 years...

Staying power

From Captain O. J. Windsor Clive Sir, My grandfather first mounted Queen's Guard io 1897. I find his bearskin cap very comfortable when I mount the same duty. Yours faithfully, O. J. WINDSÓR CLIVE, 1st Bn Coldstream Guards, The Barracks, Caterham,

Meaningful terms

February 12.

From Dr C. I. M. Reekie Sir, May I add a recent addition to the educational vocabulary; "hu-man resource laboratory". It means gymnasium, Yours faithfully, I. M. REEKIE. 44 Willow Way, Ponteland. Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Tyne and Wear.

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It is now more than three

The move to Wapping has

'typical industrial problem". in precisely the same way as pute so seemingly moderate a. somehow the whole balance of trade union law is unsatisfac-Labour leaders who see a chance that the strong popular support for the government's trade union laws could be eroded hut by opportunist Conscrvatives, keen to clip the

ery possible way. It is a wrong view. It is based to this dispute is the need that

it should be repudiated.

WINTER FUEL

Cold kills. For every degree by which the average winter temperature drops, there is an increase in mortality in the winter months of about 8,000. Many of those deaths are of the old. For some the cold is an

ageot of incluctable decease. But for an unknown oumber of the elderly there is nothing inevitable about death. It is as chancy as a coin for the gas meter slot, the confidence that they can afford a few hours of electric fire. Hypothermia is a cruel death, and death by cold in penury is hard for a civilized society to bear without questioning its own worth. The cry goes up from all better must be provided by the State's apparatus of social

eaction of panic by harried ninisters make a bad recipe or policy.

Last November the Social ecurity Commissioners isued a circular which replaced increorological formula iththe homespun wisdom of DHSS Adjudication Officer ticking his head and officer ffice window. The unfairness

of that scheme has become and services, which could apparent in the cold of the past

fortnight. No poor household, however frugal, however well run, will avoid emergencies for which their reserves are insufficient. Hence the necessity for the social security system present and future - to make "exceptional needs

payments". Last year, the payments. were supposed to be rulegoverned. Now it is fully discretionary, with the result that disputable differences in temperature have been allowed to dictate benefit pavments that may be life-saving.

Full reform depends on changes to the heart of the benefits system itself. Old-age pensioners in Glasgow are expected, despite obvious differences in mean winter temperatures, to heat their homes on the same scale rates as pensioner households in Bristol. Severe weather in Scotland has to be doubly severe to

qualify. This is absurd. No scheme will be ever be perfectly tidy. There is however an ample array of regional statistics for the cost of goods

allow rates to be geographically adjusted. The principle could then be more fairly applied that severe weather payments hinge on out-of-theordinary conditions for the area.

The Government has oo time to reflect at length about protecting the elderly and poor from the chance effects of severe cold. The time for revision of the scheme is oow, before it locks itself, and social security beneficiaries, into the financial and bureaucratic limitations of its proposed new Social Fund.

As far as can be seen - the government having been coy about its composition - such severe weather payments would not cease under the Fund. They would however become loans, on the grounds that the State by acting as lender of last resort should encourage better household management. This is a sound point - provided, and it is a big proviso - the basic rate of benefit for the poor and elderly are sufficient for them to make reasonable provision for winFrom the Director of the Prison Medical Service

report (February 14) under the bold headline, "Doctors clash over use of drugs to control the majority of your readers.

individual good of the inmate

among the doctors who are responsible for the professional ethics of medical treatment in the Prison Medical Service. The policy is clear to all those directly concerned. It is that doctors who work in the Prison Medical Service, whole-time or part-time, are responsible for the individual mental and physical health of their inmate patients. Wherever this responsibility is in any way io

patient is paramount. A second point should be made

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This leaves the full-time medical officers free to get on with just



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Anne. Mrs Mark Phillips, Pa-iron of the National Union of Townswomen's Guilds, was represented by Mrs Janet Ranisden (Chairman, National Union of Townswomen's Guilds) at the Memorial Service for Mrs Margaret Chalkley (former National Chairman, Na-tional Union of Townswomen's Guildst which was held at the Birmingham Parish Church of St Martin's with St Andrew's in The Bullring, Birmingham, this

KENSINGTON PALACE February 18: The Princess of Wales this morning opened the new Maternity Unit at Newham General Hospital, London, E13.
Mrs George West and
Lieutenant-Commander Richard Aylard, RN, were in attenCLARENCE HOUSE February 18: Lady Jean Rankin has succeeded Lady Elizabeth Basset as Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Elizabeth The Queen; Mother.

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE February 18: The Duke of Kenl

Vice Chairman of the British Overseas Trade Board, 10day visited Logica Ple. Newman Street London, W1. Captain Michael Campbell-Lamerton was in attendance. Prince Andrew is 26 today.

The Queen will unveil a memorial to the late Duke of Beaufort in Gloucester Cathe-dral on Monday, April 14, at noon. Tickets on application to the Chief Executive, Shire Hall, Gloucester, GL1 2TG, by March 17. Priority given to

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Eric Vernoo Holding will be held on Friday, March 7, 1986, at St Bride's Church, Fleet Street, London, EC4, at noon.

Forthcoming marriages

The engagement is anoounced between Charles Armitage, of Bremhill Wick, Caloe, Wilt-shire, and Ann Marguerite Mann, of Horsemoor House, Chieveley, Berkshire.

Mr D.E. Begvely and Miss C.A. Macadam The engagement is announced between David, younger son of Mr and Mrs R.E.E. Begvely, of Auckland, New Zealand, and Clare, youngest daughter of Mr J.D. Macadam, MBE, and Mrs Macadam, of Venado Tuerto,

Mr J.R.T. Eckersley and Miss R.E. Longthorne The engagement is announced between Rupert, elder son of Mr Jeremy Eckersley, of Bosbury, Herefordshire, and Mrs Sarah Eckersley, of Oxford, and Ruth, daughter of Mr and Mrs Brian Loogthorne, of Winchester,

Mr A. Ford and Miss E.S. Worgan The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Mrs J. Ford, of Needingworth, Cambridgeshire, and Assiut, Egypt, and the late Flight Lieutenant P. Ford, and Elizabeth Susan, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs J.S. Worgan, of Hartford, Cheshire.

Mr T.C. Garnham and Miss V.L. Mitchell The engagement is announced between Timothy Claude, eldest son of Dr and Mrs John C. Garnham, of Peaa, Buckinghamshire, and Victoria Lesley, second daughter of the late Mr G.A. Mitchell and Mrs M. Mitchell, of Markyate,

Mr D.F. Harrison The engagement is announced between David Featherstone, soa of the late Mr Henry Harrison and of Mrs Kathleen Readman, of Swanland, East Yorkshire, and Sarah Elizabeth, younger daughter of Prebendary and Mrs Frank Coveotry, of

Mr S.J. Jeremiah and Miss F.R. Green The engagement is announced between Stephen, eldest soo of Mr and Mrs T.L.C. Jeremiah, of Peollergaer, Swansea, and Fiona, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Green, of Market Drayton, Shronshire

A computer game which bas

been developed to treat young children with defective eye-

sight as they play has achieved

"significant rapid improvement" in about half of

amhlyopia, a condition in which the vision of one eye is blurred and inhibited by poor responses from the brain. The

traditional treatment is to

cover the good eye with an eyepatch, which forces the

brain to use the eye it has

preferred to ignore. Although often successful, this method

can take many months before vision is brought up

The children suffer from

those who have used it.

Dr A.E. Morris and Sylvia Canatess von Schonfeldt

The engagement is announced between Alan, son of the late Edward Morris and of Mrs R.G. Morris, of Cooden, Sussex, and Sylvia, daughter of Mr and Mrs Cecil V. Moore, of Chesham, Dr P. McC. Miller and Dr A.J. Waddington

around 1735, on a parcel-gilt stand, selling for £22,000 (esti-mate £3,000-£5,000) to Mi-chael Norman Antiques of The engagement is announced between Patrick, son of Dr and Mrs A.A. McC. Miller, of Snainton, North Yorkshire, and Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs A.J. Waddiogion, of Bromsgrove, Worcestershire. Mr J.C. Nicholson stand, with a key pattern explain the high prices. The apron, and handsome cabriole auctioneers, however, had

and Miss A.A. Beer
The engagement is announced between John Caldecott Nicholson, of Burrill Manor, Bedale, and Alison Ann, daughter of Mrand Mrs Eric Beer, of Burn Beides Hammester Bridge, Harrogate. Mr A.R.A. Oakshett and Miss A.M. Kiely The engagement is announced between Anthony, younger son of Mr and Mrs O.C.A. Oakshett.

of The Old Rectory, Hawling, Gloucestershire, and Annette, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs N.J. Kiely. of Eastwick Manor. Eastwick, Essex, Mr M.A. Fane De Salis

and Miss E.K.F. Shepherd
The engagement is announced between Mark Andreas, elder son of Mr and Mrs J.P. Fane De Salis, of Itchingfield, West Sussex, and Elaine Kathryn Francess, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs F.J. Shepherd, of Horsham, West Sussex.

Marriages

Mr R.A. Castis and Mrs V.K. Mackett The marriage took place at Mr Richard Thornton to be Maidstone on February 15 of Mr Ronnie Custis and Mrs succession to Lord Hamilton of Valerie Mackett. Dr T.E. Faber and Dr E.M.C. van Houts The marriage took place in Cambridge on February 6, 1986.

of Dr Thomas Faber and Dr Elisabeth van Houts. Mr C.M. Kenting Coyne
and Miss S. Kaminska
The marriage of Mr Christopher
Martin Keating Coyne, son of
Mr Christopher Kealing Coyne,
of Dublin, Ireland, and Mrs
Ruth Keating Coyne, of
Twyford, Berkshire, and Miss
Sylvia Kaminska took place
early in the New Year at St
Thomas More Catholic Church,
Twyford, Berkshire.

The Visual Electrophysiol-

ogy Uait at Bradford

University's School of Optor

etry has been studying electri-cal activity in the brain produced by signals from the eyes. Some of the unit's work

has been concerned with find-

ing suitable visual targets which produce strong visual signals in the brain.

One of the most successful

targets is a black and white

cherkerboard, which reverses at regular intervals, so that

black squares become white,

and vice versa. A TV computer

game based on this alternating

Beyond the elegant Lutyens facade of Grosvenor House, lie the

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to antique restorers, they are offered with a standard of

nattern has been created to

Appointments Gibraltar Latest appointments include: Sir Jahn Oliver Wright to be a trustee of the British Museum in

exercise the children's eyes as child is allowed to play a short

uccession to Sir Arthur Drew. Dame Anne Warburton, Mrs. Esme Walker, Professor Gillian-Powell to be part-time members of the Equal Opportunities. Commission.

Dalzell who is retiring

Mr John Vereker to be principa finance officer is the Foreign Commonwealth Overseas Development Admin istration in succession to Mi Robert Ainscow who is to be deputy secretary.

Mr Bill Cockbern to be manage ing director, letters, Mr Tony Garrett to be managing director parcels. Mr Ken Young, to be in charge of personnel and corporate resources, Mr Philip Setlers, to be responsible for corporate and finance planning all as members of the Post Office

In the game, the child or xaminer selects a number of

letters to be read and remem-

bered. Random letters are displayed in the centre of the

screen, surrounded by the alternating checkerboard. The child reads the letters with the

ood eye covered, and when

The child scores one point if

the letters are correctly re-

membered, and a new se-

quence of letters appears.

When 10 points are scored, the

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the letters disappear, types them on the computer's key-

Science report

Computer game treats children's bad eyesight

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

they play.

ing six Imperial denarii and £15,000) to a dealer acting for a four minor coins, secured £281 private collector. There was very against an estimate of £140 to Friends help

Sale room

English furniture popular

Other high prices included a

red walnut drop-leaf table of around 1740, at £9,900 (estimate £2,000-£3,000) and a mahogany drop-leaf table of about 10 years later at £7,480 (estimate £2,000-£5,000).

(estimate £3,000-£5,000). It

was their first good sale of

English furniture of the new

year, which may help to

been apprehensive since the

Americans, who have recently been the strongest buyers in

this market, seem to have

Christie's sale of coins and

medallions saw a morning total of £63,515, with only 3 per cent left unsold. Dealers

were bidding strongly in the section of ancient coins. A

typical composite lot, contain-

tion for fine English furniture throughout the sale, mainly at Sotheby's Sussex sale room focused on the oak and wal-

had been made up from four dropped out completely at the

moment

yesterday with a little

padoukwood hureau of

The fall front of the bureau

opens on little drawers and

pigeonholes and it has two

long drawers below. The

stand, with a key pattern

legs, may or may not have started life with the bureau;

there was some argument

during the view on whether it

chairlegs and a bit of

keypattern from elsewhere.

The component parts were all

definitely eighteenth century, according to the auctioneer

A pair of George III satin-wood card tables sold for

£13,750 (estimate £10,000-

The Friends of Gibraltar Socicty, whose aims are to help preserve Gibraltar's unique architectural and military her-itage, will hold its inaugural meeting at the National Army Museum, Royal Hospital Road,

ruary, conservation and sympa-thetic conversion of exgovernment property would benefit the Rock's tourist industry and the urgent boosing needs of the Gibraltarians.

Mr Sam Alper, a Cambridge shire businessman who chairs, the Society's steering committee, said: "What needs to be done in Gibraltar is really too much for the Rock's population of only 25,000. They need our help. The purpose of the Society's inaugural meeting is to move on from an ad hoc committee to formalize its existence as a charity.

computer game as a reward. The program has been in use in a Saturday morning

children's clinic at the Scho

of Optometry for the past 12 months. Dr Bill Southwaite,

lecturer in optometry at Brad-ford University, who devised the game, says."A significant rapid improvement in vision

has occurred in approximately

half the children exposed to this approach."

students at Helmfirth High School who have converted the

program for use on school computers so that the exer-

cises can be more widely used.

He has been helped by

Bridge win for Breskal's team

£100-£120).

Foreign gold coins were also

selling strongly, with a Guate-

malan four-escudos of Ferdi-nand VII at £2,808 (estimate

£1,400-£1,800). The top price in the sale was £4,320 (esti-

mate £3,000-£4,000) for a U.S.

unsold. The high unsold per-

centage reflects dealers' de-

mand for quality and pictures

new to the market; paintings

that had been cleaned and

restored were simply not sell-

proof \$10 of 1900.

G.N. Breskal's team won the most strenuous of the English Bridge Union's competitions in the double knockout event for the Provost Cup held at the Queen's Hotel, Eastbourne, over four days. He defeated

Paras: G.N., Brestat; A. Calderwood: J.J.Creenwood: B. Fishpool; and J.Brek; best G.L. Stanford: Fruzzega: J.McDonald: and LR. The Northern Event at Leeds

was won by six internationals, J.M. Armstrong, G.T. Kirby, A.Forrester, R.S. Brock, S.J.Lodge, Dr. A.P.Sowter who will meet the southern winners for the Woolwich Building Society's Cup on August 2. Hamilton Cup was won by Mr and Mrs W.J. Pencharz, P.J. Williams, D.Romain, J.Cope, J.Dhondy by half a point from the joint seconds the joint seconds captained by G.Horsley and D.M.Pool

Gallery architect on Aga Khan jury Mr Robert Venturi, the Ameri-

can architect appointed less month to design the Hampton site extension to the National Gallery in Trafalgar Square, is a member of the master jury appointed for the 1986 Aga Khan Award for Architecture The award, established in 1976, worth \$500,000 in prizes, it the largest architecture. is the largest architectural award in the world. It recognizes excellence for Islamic cultures, including seminars and publica-

Hans Hollein, Austria: Professor Hans Hollein, Austria: Professor Fumihiko Maki, Japan; and Professor Ronald Lewcock, Australia, who is at the Massachuseus Institute of Technology.

NZ to get |OBITUARY pacifist as Bishop

By Clifford Longley Religious Affairs Correspondent

Canoo Paul Oestreicher, one of the best-known Anglican churchmen of his generation, has been elected as the next bishop of Wellington, New Zealand. Canon Oestreicher, born in Germany, has New Zealand

nationality.

His election has to be confirmed by the New Zealand bishops and by the Anglican Church's standing committee. He is assistant general secretary of the British Council of Churches, responsible for inter-national affairs, a member of the General Synod of the Church of England, and vice-president of

Canon Oestreicher, aged 54, is a full member of the Society of Priends (Quakers), which he poined about two years ago. A pacifist, he has long been prominent as a campaigner against outlear weapons. He is also a ouclear weapons. He is also a leading expert on East European Christianny, particularly the Lutheran church in East Germany, and on the church in South Africa. He was chairman of the British section of Amnesty International from 1974 to 1979.

Lie paramete fled from the The Princess of Wales being greeted by Gillian Hughes, a midwife, when she opened the maternity unit at Newham General Hospital, London, yesterday.

His parents fled from the threat of Nazi persecution to New Zealand before the war. He was educated at school in Dunedin, and attended the univer-sities of Otago and Victoria. There was fierce competi-on for fine English furniture throughout the sale, mainly one of Otho and the other of before coming to England to study at Lincoln Theological College. He worked as a BBC producer, then at the British Council of Churches, and from Vitellus made £259 (estimate 1968 to 1981 was a vicar in Blackheath Soath London. Canon Oestreicher said yes-terday that if the election was confirmed he expected to leave September.

> At Phillips rontine sale of Birthdays today Old Master paintings, there The Rev Dr G. Henton Davies, 80; Lord Forbes, 68; Mr John Freeman, 71; Lord Henniker, 70; the Right Rev R.S. Hook, 69; Mr Lee Marvin, 62; Profeswas a strong continegent of Italian dealers, bidding especially on Italian paintings. A pair of battle scenes from the circle of Francesco Simonini sor Bernard Meadows, 71; Sir John N. Nicholson, 75; Mrs. Frances Perry, 79; Sir Daniel Pettit, 71; Mr Brian Tesler, 57. went to Sarti Antiques at £9,240 (estimate £6,000-£8,000). The sale totalled £87,813 with 33 per cent left

> > Dinners

Engineering Employers'
Federation
Mr Peter Walker, MP, Secretary
of State for Energy, was the
principal guest at the biennial
dinner of the Engineering
Employers' Federation at the
Dorchester hotel yesterday. The
guests were received by Mr ing since this is a sure sign that they have been recently on the guests were received by Mr RJ.H. Parkes president and Dr J.S. McFartane, director-gen-

iMasons' Company
'The Lord Mayor and Lady
Mayoress, accompanied by the
sheriffs and Mrs Neary, were
received by the Master of the
Masons' Company, Mr E.H.
Turner, at the annual ladies'
dinner held at the Massion
House held at the Massion Museum, Royal Hospital Road, central London, next Toesday.

According to authorines who addressed a Save Gibreltar's Heritage conference last Feb-Heritage Confer caturers of the City of York.

> Cranleigh School Cranleigh School has announced the following awards

Sixth Form Academic Scholar ships: Diana Beaomoat (Woklingham); Emma Borton (St Swithun's); Rebecca Carey (Roedean); Estee Torok (St Catherine's, Bramley); Theresa War (Woldingham). Sixth Form Music Scholar

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Fourth Form Music Scholar

ships: Daniel Hewson (Belmoot Preparatory School); Timothy Vine (Cranleigh Preparatory

Fourth Form Music Ex-hibition: Giles Atkinson (Clare-mont Preparatory School).

Hertford College, Oxford

It is planned to issue a revised edition of the Hertford College Record within the next 12 months to all known members. Would any member who is not in contact with College, or whose address has changed, please write to the Bursar, Hertford College, Oxford, OXI-3BW, so that his or her entry can be included.

Memorial Service Mr L. Lederer

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Mr Lajos Lederer was held at the International Press Centre yesterday. Canon John Oates and Rabbi Julia Neuberger officiated. Nicholas Seimes, grandson, read the lesson and Mr Randolph Lederer, son, read "Death is nothing at all" by Canon Scott Holland. Mr Donald Trefford (editor, The Chestral Production of the P Observer) read from a speech by the Hon David Astor and Lord Sieff of Brimpton gave an address. Among those present

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William Millhards (manadging editor. Sandelson, Mr Richard A Hillmore, Mr Jonath Philip S Une, Mrs V N C Millipathip, Mr Epon Stehand Unessensie

JIDDU KRISHNAMURTI Philosophical and religious teacher Jiddu Krishnamurti, the indian philosopher and religious

teacher, died on February 17 at his home in Ojai, California. He was 90. Krishnamurti never sought publicity yet for fifty years thousands of people all over the world regarded him as one

of the great religious teachers, and his many books, translated into numerous languages, had a wide circulation. Krishnamurti's Notebook (1976) in particular, is a remarkable mystical document. Born on May 25, 1895, at

Mandanapalle in South India, Krishnamurti was the eighth child of a Brahmin family of 10. His mother died when he was young and in 1909 his father, a retired civil servant and Theosophist of long standing, went with his four surviving sons to live at Adyar, the international head-quarters of the Theosophical Society at Madras.

Mrs Annie Besant, President of the Society, and her colleague, C. W. Leadbeater, soon noticed Krishnamurti; Leadbeater immediately saw in him, the spiritual teacher of the future.

It was then a tenet of the majority of Theosophists that all the great religious teachers were in fact the same being, the Lord Maitreya, who every two thousand years or so showed himself in human incarnation through the body of a chosen vehicle in order to help humanity in a time of special crisis. His last appearance according to the Theosophists, had been in the body of

In 1911 the Order of the Star in the East was founded by Mrs Besant with Krishnamurti as.its head. Its members were convinced that a new Coming was imminent and that Krishnamurti was the vehicle whom the Lord had chosen.

Mrs Besant Krishnamurti under her guardianship and made herself responsible for training him for this awesome role. In . administering the funds vol-1912 she sent him to England to be privately educated. He remained in Europe, becoming thoroughly westernised, until 1921 when he returned to India.

It was then that he began to travel round the world addressing audiences. Gradually, however, his followers began to doubt whether he fitted into the pattern laid down for him, as he was no longer saying the comforting

things they expected to hear. Mr R.W. Oliver, GC, BEM, unconscious the twenty feet to Cross as an Albert Medal

tempt a rescue. Donning the battleship, HMS Warspite, was lying alongside Parlatorio Wharf, Malta, an examination considerable difficulty through the manholes of the of the bulge compartments situated on the port side aft was being carried ont. unconscious man and passing

The manhole door of the lower bulge compartment was a line round his body. removed and the compartment tested, and it was found that the air was foul to

MR J. E. PIERCY

CBE, a distinguished thyroid surgeoa cast in the mould of the great exponents of his craft of this century, died on Febru-ary 6, aged 87:

A Canadian, Jack Piercy was born in Victoria, British

He came to England to study after the First World War, during which he served as a pilot in the Royal Flying Corps, and qualified at Guy's

tant career began in 1932 at New End Hospital, Hampstead, as Surgeon-Superintendent at the then LCC Hospital. He eventually took charge of the New End Goitre Clinic, a newly established unit which attracted wide attention because of the innovative nature

PAUL STEWART

acted in Broadway produc-He joined Orson Welles's world was actually taking

Frequently seen in sinister roles, he took part in many



It came as a traumatic shock to thousands, who had for eighteen years been preparing for the Coming, when in 1929 he dissolved the Order of the Star (which then had a membership of over 46,000) and declared that he did not want followers, that truth was a 'pathless land' and that his only concern was to set men psychologically free - free in particular from all spuritual

authority.

The inside story of those extraordinary years was not fully revealed until he allowed his letters to be published in 1975 in Krishnamuru: The Years of Awakening by Mary

Lutyens In 1983 a second volume of his biography appeared.
Krishnamuri: The Years of Fulfilment taking the story of his life up to 1980.

From 1930 onwards Krishnamurti went his own way, travelling the world, giving private interviews and talks to an ever-increasing audience.

Education had always been one of his chief concerns, as he considered that the conditioning of children in the narrowness of nationality, race and religion accounted for most of the violence in the world.

Krishnamurti had no per manent home and the minimum of personal possessions. Foundations in England, the USA and India made themselves responsible for the publishing of his books and for untarily contributed for the propagation of his teaching and the running of the schools he founded.

There Krishnamurti schools in Hampshire and at Ojai, California, and five in India. Krishnamnri's influence

grew steadily. Each year a , a larger proportion of young people attended his talks and scientists and psychologists became interested in his ideas of time, thought and death.

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MR R. W. OLIVER

who died on February 5 at the the bottom. went to his aid but this rescue while serving as a Leading attempt was unsuccessful and Seaman in the Royal Navy. he was hauled out in an for his courageous rescue of an enconscious condition. unconscious man from a comman Oliver who was standing partment of a warship under the hazardous conditions of by with a shallow diving helmet, volunteered to at-

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Mr John Edward Piercy,

Columbia and educated at Sir James Douglas School, Vic-toria High School and the University of Alberta, Ed-

His distinguished consul-

tions as a teen-ager. theatre group in 1938, and also took part in the now cclebrated radio broadcast of H.G. Wells's War of the Worlds which convinced many listeners in America that a Martian invasion of the

films, notable among them Mr

He worked with the greatest surgeons in this field, Cecil Joll, Thomas Dunhill and Geoffrey Keynes. In those early epoch-making days of endocrine surgery he assisted Keynes, who pioneered the delicate operation of thymeo-tomy for myasthenia gravis, a

signal advance in the treat-

ment for those afflicted with this progressive condition. Later, with Dr Raymond Greene, be was responsible for the international reputation of the New End Thyroid Clinic

Piercy's remarkable personal qualities served him wellboth as administrator and surgeon from 1932 until retirement from New End in 1966 when he was created-

All who knew him recall with affection the tall, gangling figure and the booming, cheery voice, giving hope to his patients and confidence to his staff

Paul Stewart, an American character actor who made his film debut in 1941 playing the part of the valet in Orson Welles's Citizen Kane, died in Los Angeles on February 17, aged 77. Born in New York, Stewart

Lucky, Twelve O'clock High. The Window, The Bad and the Beautiful, and Kiss Me Dead-Later he turned to directing:

radio and television shows. Dick James

In our obituary of Dies James (February 4) we stated that "he was bested in the High Court by his principal protege when he lost a legal battle over royalties to Flion John". None of the personal claims against Dick James were successful nor Mr John 8 claim for the return of the copyright in his compositions. Mr John was successful in obtaining an increased royalt in respect of his compositions. from Dick James Music-

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THE ARTS

Television The life of Lulu

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us teacher

The late Louise Brooks was the silent screen's perfect totsy: sparky, balletic, sexually voracious, incandescently beautiful and possessed of the most enticingly valuerable throat in cinema history. As the insisted in the recycled black-and-white interview that made up the bulk of last night's memorial on Arena (BBC 2), she did not have to act Luln in Pabst's notorious Pandora's Box, she simply was

And, as we know from Kenneth Tynan's celebrated New Yorker profile and from her own Lulu in Hollywood, Brooks's career ran a decidedly peculiar gamut, from a teenage Ziegfeld hoofer to her last, ignoble appearance in 1938 opposite John Wayne and a ventriloquist's dummy.

She was, as it were, the Garbo
who quit while she was behind.

Tynan'a monochrome ghost resurfaced to repeat his justi-fied hyperbole, there were taatalizingly brief clips from his herome's early, off-the-peg flapper-operas, and we learnt that Anita Loos had suggested casting her as a cigar-store Indian. Brooks herself remained hithely unimpressed by her own talent, and her speech reflected the articulary

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Her spoken recollections of Pabst's singular working methods were fascinating enough, if only because that heartbreaking mouth had fi-nally acquired a voice, but the programme's account of her last 50 years was frustratingly thin. Do no nrdinary citizens survive who remember her as a salesgiri or a bloated alcoholic? For such an anti-Hellywood story, this was an oddly

In the Name of Charity (Central) presented a diametrically opposed female archetype, the resilient, caring earth mother for whom "parent" is a verb. Jeanette Roberts, the solidly capable former district nurse who has acquired a "family" of 22 unwanted children, was the subject of Nigel Evans's 1984 documentary Taking the Lid Off. Recapping his earlier programme, Mr Evans showed the vast, disturbingly adult brood removing to new digs in the Essex countryside, where they zeal-nusly set about reclaiming the lives of aged leprosy patients in an adjoining bospital home.

This documentary, both moving and baffling, had the feel of a rose-tinted children's film snhverted by unknown menace. The mystery of who. attempted to wreck the hur-geoning friendship between the two sets of rejects through vandalism and threatening pit town in the mid-19th century, when the employers draft in a group of famine-struck Irish families to work phone-calls was compounded by Mr Evans's extraordinarity spare narrative procedure, which at times gave the viewer far too much work to do. It was the pits, so forcing the hand of the local striking miners (the as compellingly artificial as

Martin Cropper tent needs little stressing). It could have been removefully

Death of a sacred old slogan

Theatre

One of Us Greenwich

In this retelling of the Burgess-Maclean affair, Robin Chapman offers the intriguing speculation that the original plan did not involve their joint flight to Moscow. Burgess, according to Mr Chapman, was summoned home from Washington by Anthony Blunt as a trusted escort for the already suspected Maclean; and then made his own private decision to defect

made his own private decision to defect. leave in to historians to pronnunce on the probability of this theory. So far as the play is concerned, its effect is to cast Blunt in the role of an abandoned lover, and to precipitate a crisis of conscience in Mr Chapman's main character -

Unlike the proven spies in the Cambridge circle, Rees is not a hnuseholdname. He was, however, privy to their secrets; and althnugh he shed his Comintern sympathies at the Molotny-Ribbertson and he contribued to been Rihbentrop pact, he contrived to keep his mouth shut out of personal loyalty. In that sense Burgess and Blunt could still treat him as "one of us"; and the play focuses on him as a means of retesting E.M.Forster's declaration that he would rather betray his country than his rather betray his country than his friends. In the end, Rees takes Blunt by the neck and forces him to repeat those words, adding that he can now dismiss the sacred old slogan "after what all you

have made of it."

Mr Chapman takes treachery in earnest and is not afraid of driving his viewpoint through to an uncompromis-ing conclusion. Even the setting, in the garden of Rees's Thames-side home (magically realized in Boh Crowley's assembly of semi-reflective plastic and pressed foliage), strikes the note of Elgarian patriotism.

Unfortunately, the queasy writhings of an uncommitted fellow-traveller do not easily lend themselves to thearrical character; and, no matter what they reveal about the postwar political conscience, Rees himself remains a largely passive figure. He even refers to himself as Mr. Nobody. And none of the Weish aggression Anthony Andrews puts into the role can conceal the fact that, for most of the time, he is on the receiving end; trying to keep Burgess's friendship without endangering his joh at All Souls; trying to preserve his marriage while

Beneath One

Cumbernauld

Touring a play about the Orange and the Green around

Scotland and Ireland may

sound a little like Ingging

burning coals to Newcastle — neither place needs much reminding of the tenacity of

the divisions. This, though, is.

precisely the scheme for 7:84 Scotland's latest production: a

piece of misty subversive expediency building on the

inflammatory nature of the

subject-matter in both places

to re-focus on just what the

Shaun McCarthy's new play

shows us the development of

divisions in a small Scottish

contemporancity of the con-

opposition is.

Banner



Forster's dictum renounced "after what all you have made of it": Goronwy Rees (Anthony Andrews, right) tackles Anthony Blunt (David Horovitch)

humour, entering into the cliches while pushing across glimpses of the painful reality

behind them: Doreen Cam-

eron's resiliently parsimoni-

mands to his ambitious young

agent prorocateur with a cold,

glittering relish that bas you

searching for the trap-door.

punch, weak on depth - but

its irresistible vitality and humour carry it home, with-out blunting the urgent edge of McCarthy's undoubted angry

Sarah Hemming

keeping the truth from his wife; and only escaping compromise in the final scene with Blunt.

Another disadvantage is that the action is laid out in this sequence more to serve a political argument than to advance a piot. Why, for instance, does Burgess descend on Rees's hame and take him into his confidence when Rees is now nothing more than an old pal? Why does Burgess's flight throw him into a panic as if he too were involved?

Of the other characters, Burgess is written as a teasing, outrageous queen, and played with scene-stealing flamboy-

worthy. In fact it is a very funny, successful example of

one sort of political theatre: a

canny combination of the light-hearted and the heavy-

handed, the subtle and the unsubtle, handled with a mea-

McCarthy applies little de-

tail to the divisions between

the Orange and the Green themselves. His concern is the

source of division, and his message that divisions in the labour force — be they

orange/green or whatever else

- lend power to the arm of

those in charge, who actively

encourage them. Not exactly a

new theme, nor dealt with in

depth, but given new energy

19th-century melodrama, run-

ning a thin line between

David MacLennan's pro-

embracing it and parodying it.

duction keeps the pot boiling.

Thoroughly enjoying the con-

stant confrontations, a degree of stagey sentimentality and blends of the soft Irish and

sharp Scots idioms, he puts them to good effect, abetted by

the cast. They adopt their

camco characters with agile

McCarthy's witty use of

sure of self-irony.

ance hy lan Ogilvy, who gets full shock value from the one moment when he drops the badinage and erupts in political passsion. Blunt, a weary intruder in the household, is beautifully played by David Horovitch as a figure of old-maidish dignity who involuntarily shows his panic in asking whether Page has his panic in asking whether Rees has passed any secrets to his wife. Allan Surachan's production presents a clear line of thought through the evasions of the dialogue; as for feelings, Jenny Quayle projects believable distress as the bewildered child bride.

Irving Wardle

.Concert

ous Scots mother scrimps to feed her children; Nora Connolly's perky, pretty Irish redhead loses her virtue for her father's whiskey, while he, your huge, drinking, heart-of-gold Irishman (Iain McColl), has burned alcoholic (Taxon). has turned alcoholic to escape reality. Blind fanaticism meanwhile is belittled on both sides by the comically pompous stereotypes who purvey it. Here the boss really is the villain of the piece, and Finlay Welsh's McNab issues commands to bis architicus tours. have hardly aided his cause.

This recital of Chopin's 24 Preludes and Four Ballades at It is a production that occasionally runs foul of its own staginess, strong on recording issued last year - a

> In the EMI studios, of course, movements can be repeated until the technical and interpretative elements coincide in perfection. If only Alexeev could have taken a second shot at some of the preludes here; we might have heard a mnre controlled account of the fiendish Nn to than this frantic, jittery scamper, where the upper pass-agework was increasingly swamped by desperately ag-swamped by desperately ag-gressive lcft-hand church and heavy pedalling. On the other hand we might also have lost the spontaneous nobility of his phrasing in the celebrated A major Prelude, Nn 7.

But his ability to highlight inner detail, to vary the distribution of weight where passages are repeated, and to shape more extended paragraphs persuasively, were all demonstrated in the Ballades. The F minor, opening with beautifully veiled tone and rising to a thoroughly con-vincing apotheosis, offered the evening's most expressive playing right at its conclusion. Richard Morrison

Dmitri Alexeev Elizabeth Hall

The responsibility of being the leading Soviet pianist of the younger generation has occasionally seemed to weigh beavily on Dmitri Alexeev. Brilliant technique has always been evident, but sometimes his interpretations have sounded too sober-spirited. And some puzzlingly lowprofile career choices, for a Leeds Competition winner with limited opportunities to parting lover. Grounded and air service, crashes his plane impress western audiences, awaiting trial, he explores with

least allowed tantalizing glimpses of a more extrovert Alexeev. There was genuine passion evident in the way he maintained the mercurial pattern-figuration of Prelude No 8 while driving on the under-lying melody, and the sense of obsessional power he drew from No 15's repeated-note passages was compelling But in other respects this perfor-mance fell some way short of his wonderful Chopin Waltzes recording which revealed his potential to join the highest rank of Russian Chopin inter-

That prelude also demnnstrated, in miniature, Alexeev's unusual rubato style, tending in extend gaps be-tween phrases rather than varying the tempo within them. It is a technique which at times seems to package Chapin's passinns a little too

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David Robinson reports on Hungary's National Film Festival in Budapest

It is a tribute to the Hungarian

cinema that, even in its off years, its films still so acutely

year, and some reasons are obvious. Money is tight; the global production budget has remained unchanged through

Hungarian economic policies,

and that is the kind of thing

that has everyone on tenter-

nf the game. And it is nowhere

so vividly captured as in a new film by Ferenc Andreas, ironi-cally entitled The Great Gen-

eration. Still only in rough-cut

and officially assigned to 1986-87 production, this was

certainly the best on view at

the Hungarian National Film

Festival in Budapest. It is the

hero of the group from emi-gration in the USA is the

disappointments and self-ha-

tred. They recognize that their

nwn example is now corrupt-

ing their children. Two old

men, from the generation that

these 40-year-olds might be

expected to suspect and even

despise, meet and tell each other "At least we were honest". Andreas's film,

though, glows with the hones-ty of self-criticism,

Zsolt Kezdi-Kovács's The

Absentee is also a bold at-tempt to analyze the malaise.

The ordinarily courteous Bu-

comings in the cast and over-

ambition in the writing. The

action is sprung when the

hero, a pilot in the agricultural

took the Venice Golden Lion

fortable sports and leisure wear.

that is warm in the winter and cool

most people and are as

ankles.

in the summer.

years, us nums sum so actuery reflect the sense and spirit of the instant. Everyone admits that there has just been an off Malaise so vividly experienced



Paradoxically the year's most exportable film for the niversal human interest of its story: Pál Zolnay's Embryo:

story of a group of friends who graduated together in the heady atmosphere of 1968, and in 1986 have hit forty. The return of the one-time received innumerable internatinnal awards, including the prize for the most promising catalyst that brings to the surface all their disillusion, film-maker at last year's To-kyo Festival. Working with a young novelist, Péter Esterházy (of the authentic Esterhazy clan), he presents a surrealist vision of a young family's nightmare holiday. Their fortnight beside Lake Balaton throws them into contact with the past (the hotel caretaker is a sinister survivor from the dark Fifties) and the future (at the end of the film the father is an old man and his child grown up). The targets of this surreal satire are evidently more apparent to Hungarians, hut there is no ignoring the

belligerence of this explosive, dapest audience was vocal in its dislike of the film, which probably reflects the unsparing perspicacity of its best parts rather than some shortpuzzling film. Nor, for all its unevenness, is there any doubt of the talent in Gyorgy Szomjas's The Wall Driller, a satire about the private enterprise system the hero gets ahead with an tive. electric drill and sex-appeal and the mores of an apartment-house complex

The new opportunities for private enterprise also provide the people around him alterthe theme of Pal Erdoss's native paths of spiritual es-Coontdown. Fine perforcape - the materialism of the mances in neo-documentary new economic system, love, sex, renewal of his marriage, mysticism, hobbies — but finds all of them dead ends. style are somewhat vitiated by the heavy-handed moral about the dangers, psychological and economic, of going it

The most controversial study of the national unease however was Peter Gothár's parahle nco-documentary Time. Gothár is easily the most brilliant nf the youngest made on a minimal hudger. Pal Zolnay employs a commost brilliant of the youngest made on a minimal hudger, generation of directors. His using video techniques, this is first film, A Priceless Day, paradoxically the year's most exportable film for the univerfor the best debut work, and sal interest of its story: the

his second, Time Stood Still, dilemma of an unmarried woman contemplating abortion is made the more piquant since she herself gynaecnlogist. The outstanding merit of this modest, highly accomplished film lies in the performances of two actresses. Erzsebet Gaal and Kati Lázár, who might be players from a work by Bergman.

Perhaps reflecting the na-tional jury's reservations about the feature films, the main prize of the festival went to a multi-part documentary series by Sandor Sára which portrays the history of postwar Hungary through the changing fortune of a stud-farm. Another notable documentary of the year, Pal Schiffer's Cowboys, was more immediately criti-cal: a cine-verite study of 18 months in the lives of five young people involved in the ups and downs of a less than efficient agricultural co-opera-

There is perhaps a lesson for the Hungarian cinema in the rousing - indeed riotous reception accorded to two dismally inept comedies (Healthy Eroticism and The Enchanted Dollars) and a charmingly naive teen film (Lore Till First Blood). The audience's enthusiasm for these and for any American import clearly indicates a vacuum to be filled. Much as we critics esteem Hungarian film-makers far the role they have assumed as the nation's mnralists, it is at their peril that they neglect nr underestimate the need, if they are to reach their audience, in be entertainers too.

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TRAINING FOR SKILLS. THE NEW 2 YEAR YTS. NOW 16 AND 17 YEAR OLD SCHOOL LEAVERS CAN EARN WHILE THEY LEARN

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BORROWING REQUIREMENT

Cumulative figures

allowance for privatization

Soon after his resignation, Mr

Miller said the terms of refer-

ence of the chief executive

The disagreement stemmed from the setting up in Septem-

ber of a working party, under the chairmanship of Sir Kenneth Berrill - who is a

nominated member of Lloyd's

council as well as chairman of

the Securities and Investment

Board - to examine the administrative structure of Lloyd's and to look at the

function of the chief execu-

tive. The working party was set up after an embarrassing

£22 millioo accounting error

was discovered to the

Mr Lord's emphasis oo

moving to a new building and

setting op new and increasing-

ly sophisticated computer sys-

Department of Trade and Industry before moving to

Dunlop in 1977. He is tesign-

ing all his outside appoint

executive directorship of the

Bank of England and Johnsoo

Financing of franchisees has

not been the main worry of the British Franchise Association;

is has been more anxious

about the lack of backing for

The industry is watching the

progress of Franchise Inves-

tors Ltd (FIL), launched in the

middle of last year as Britain's

first investment fund special-

izing in providing finance and

expertise for franchisors. FIL,

whose backers include a oum-ber of City institutions, was

launched with funds of £1.25

The British market is rela-

tively undeveloped, as Jor-

dans points out, which explains why it has attracted

the attention of operators in

*UK Franchising - a finan-cial survey. Jordans, Jordan

countries - ootably the US

izing in the sector.

would not be downgraded.

February March

THE POUND

US dollar \$1.4290 (+0.9c)

W German mark Dm3.3496(+0.0283)

Trade-weighted

UB stake

at 14.9%

United Biscuits bought a

further 6.14 per cent of Impe-

rial Group, taking its holding up to 14.9 per cent, the

maximum takeover rules per-

mit. UB bought 8.8 per cent on Monday when it launched its record £2.4 billion bid.

Rothschild Asset Manage-

ment sold 6.3 million Imperial

Imperial has not yet recom-mended UB's bid. It is seeking

guarantees on employee rights

and an acceptable manage-

There is no prospect of the rival £2.27 billion bid from

Hansoo Trust being recom-

mended. Hanson has until the

end of this week to declare

whether it reserves its options to raise its bid.

Amoco offer

Amoco, the oil company, is

issuing \$200 million (£141 million) of 9¼ per cent 30-year Eurobonds at par, the

lead manager, Morgan Stanley

International, said yesterday.

Guaranteed by Amoco Corpo-

ration, the senior bonds will

mature oo March 20, 2016.

Amoco is the first corporate

borrower to issue 30-year fixed-rate Eurodollar bonds,

following the World Bank's pioneering 30-year issue in

The Takeover Panel has redrawn the timetable for Argyll's £2:3 billion bid for Distillers after the reference to

the Monopolies and Mergers Commission of the rival bid

from Goinness. The 39th day,

after which Distillers cannot

release new significant infor-mation, will be next Friday,

and the 60th day, when the bid

must close finally, will be

PPL placing

J Henry Schroder Wagg has

placed 2.068.000 shares at

145p in PPL, a software

company which designs and

markets mainframe and mioi-

computer software packages

and which is valued at £8.9

million. Application has been

made for PPL's shares to be

listed on the Stock Exchange.

Banks in

The Japanese finance min-

istry has approved applica-

tions by three more foreign

banks to set up trust banking

subsidiaries there. They are

Chemical Bank of the United

States, and Switzerland's

Interest plan

West German central bank,

says in its latest moothly

report that its recent open

market operations signalled to

market participants its inten-tion to hold key interest rates

oo the money market at

Designer link

The British Institute for

Interior Design says it has had

an approach from the Society

of Industrial Artists and De-

signers about a possible merg-

er. No formal discussions

Elders Finance Group, a subsidiary of Elders IXL, the

Australian company, has ag-reed to buy the financial services activities of Rudolf

Wolff, the commodity broker.

\$750m issue

Sumitomo Trust aod

Banking's Londoo branch has

arranged to issue \$750 million

(£528 million) in certificates

Elders buy

present levels levels.

Deutsche Bundesbank, the

Bank and Credit

PPL's broker is Cazenove.

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Friday, March 14.

Bid deadline

shares or 0.8 per cent.

ment structure.

FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

STOCK MARKET Surprise surge in revenue 1234.3 (+13.6) boosts public surplus FT-SE 100 1491.9 (+16.6) USM (Datastream) 114.56 (+0.23)

The public sector swung was much larger than expectsharply into surplus in January, cutting its borrowing requirement for the first 10 months of 1985-86 to only £3.2 billion.

Publication of figures showiog a net repayment of £4.5 billion in January, roughly twice the figure forecast by the markets, had an immediate impact on interest rates. Money market rates eased by up to 5/16 per cent yesterday, with three-month inter-bank rate falling 3/16 per cent to 12% 121/2 per cent at yesterday's

January normally sees a seasonal swing into surplus in the public sector's accounts, with a sharp increase in tax payments, and this year's figures were boosted modestly by the receipt of £439 million of the 1984 rebate of Britain's contributions to the European Community, plus £70 million of the 1985 rebate.

But the main explanation that the surge in tax receipts during the first 10 months of period of 1984-85 and £6.3 by as much as £2 billion.

By Alison Eadie

Mr Alan Lord, who was

group managing director of Dunion, the tyres group, from 1980 to 1984, has been ap-pointed chief executive and

deputy chairman of Lloyd's

insurance market, succeeding

He has been appointed on a five-year contract with the same terms of reference as Mr

Davisoo and on not less than Mr Davison's salary of £120,000 a year. His appoint-

ment has been approved by

the Governor of the Bank of

England and is effective from

Mr Lord left Dunlop when

Sir Michael Edwardes joined

the board in November 1984.

Sir Michael's arrival heralded

the famous night of the long

knives, when Mr Lord re-

signed along with Sir Maurice

Hodgson, chairman of Dun-lop Holdings, three other exec-otive directors and four non-

tough to do the job at Lloyd's, Mr Lord said yes and cited the fact that he had sadly had to make 8,000 Dunlop employ-

ees redundant to save the

Mr Lord said his priorities

in the oew appointment would

growth potential in Britain, can still be very risky.

A oew financial survey* of

information service, shows

some companies in the sector

see only a short-lived period

of growth. However, it also shows there is a broad range of

success, with some companies

showing consistently high lev-

Franchising turnover last year is estimated to have been

£1.7 million. There are thought to be up to 240 franchisors in Britain, they are

the organizations with a busi-

ness format whose use is effectively licensed to a fran-

The average number of units for franchisors is 37

which means there are some

8,300 franchised outlets alto-

The survey's figures on

ether in the country.

els of profitability.

franchising by Jordans, the industry almost doubling in

executive directors.

remaining jobs.

Mr Ian Hay Davison.

ed. This is oow said to be explained both by stronger-than-forecast company profits and increased penalties oo late payments of income tax.

Ioland Revenue receipts, at £10.5 billion in January, were a full £2.3 billion higher than in the same mooth of last year. over the first 10 months of 1985-86, total Consolidated Fund Revenue was 10.5 per cent higher than in the previous year. Inland Revenue receipts were £5.8 billion higher than in 1984-85, and Customs and Fundamental Part of the control of the cont toms and Excise receipts were £2 billion higher. Higher VAT revenues are said to reflect a change in the pattern of consumer spending, towards

proportionately more pur-chases of VAT-rated goods. By contrast, public spending seems to be remaining ernment surplus. Central government borrowing on its own account was cut to only £2.7 fairly comfortably in line with the Government's forecasts, Total consolidated fund expenditure was 6 per cent

Former Dunlop chief wins

top position at Lloyd's

Alan Lord: emphasis

get the administration run-

continue the process of regula-

industry and is not a "name"

Mr Peter Miller, chairman

debt Lloyd's owes to Mr

Davison in the evolution of a

successful system of self-

Lloyd's last November when

he felt that the council of

be first to learn about the Lloyd's was trying to curb the Matthey Bankers, and of Alinsurance market, second to powers of the chief executive lied-Lyons.

Franchising likely to expand in UK

By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor

Franchising, while having earlier surveys but the rate of chising as a growth area and growth potential in Britain, growth in franchising here some have managers special-

over the past five years has been considerable with the

If franchising trends in Brit-

am follow the United States

pattern there is much poten-

tial growth still, the lordans

survey reports. In the US franchising accounts for a third of retail turnover with

sales last year of \$530 billioo (about £373 billion).

Few franchise operations in Britain have saturated their

market, according to the

survey. As they do so they are

likely to use their expertise to

develop additional formats.

the instant printing chain,

which developed Poppies, a

franchised domestic and in-

franchise operations appears

Meanwhile, financing of

dustrial cleaning service.

An example is Prontaprint,

size in the past two years

of Lloyd's, paid tribute to Mr tems.

at Lloyd's.

ning smoothly, and third to corporatioo's annual ac-

Mr Davison announced his ments to take up his Lloyd's intention to resign from job. These include a oco-

1983-84. Local authorities' contribution to the PSBR amounted to £500 million during the first 10 mooths of this financial year,

1983-84 1984-85 1985-86 Ebillion Ebillion Ebillion The public sector can be expected to swing back into deficit before the end of the financial year, as public spending departments use up what is left of their anoual budgets. Revenue figures can also be expected to weaken, as the first effects of the fall in oil prices show through, Although the most recent decline will not affect revenues until the next financial year, the 1985-86, which suggests a pre-Christmas cut will affect more modest rise in total public expenditure after due March reveoues.

However, Government's forecast of an £8 billion PSBR for the full financial year (raised from its The January figures are financial year (raised from its dominated by the central govorginal estimate of £7 hillioo) oow looks comfortable. The Treasury is not prepared to reestimate the figure io advance billion during the first 10 of the Budget on March 18, months of this year, compared and has even then been known and has even then been known

Yorkshire Bank recovers

By Richard Thomson **Banking Correspondent**

Yorkshire Bank, the North of England retail bank, yesterday announced a strong recov ery in pretax profits last year after the end of the miners strike, and said its confidence in miners' "loyalty and iotegrity" had proved entirely justified.

Last year's £44.8 millioo pretax profits were 30 per ceot op on 1984.

There were also 200,000 new deposit accounts to bring the total to over 1 million. Mr Graham Sunderland, general manager, praised the miners - an important core of the bank's customers - as

responsible borrowers eager to repay their loans.

tion and maintain the mo-mentum of reform of the administration is a reflection Davison regime. Mr Lord has of the council's priorities and no experience of the insurance the new needs of Lloyd's in In 1984, the bank's profits dropped by £2 million from the previous year, largely be cause striking miners could ems.
Mr Lord held several public and were living on their

xecutive directors.

Davison, saying it was fitting Mr Lord held several public and were living on their when asked yesterday if he and proper to record appointments with the Treasumps.

When asked yesterday if he and proper to record appointments with the Treasumps.

Mr Sunderland said: "At hought he was sufficiently publically the deep sense of sury, inland Revenue and Mr Sunderland said: "At December 1985, most branches in the affected area reported an almost complète recovery and only a handful of miners remained in the oonperforming category".

The improvement added up

to £2 million to the bank profits and allowed it to cut its bad debt provisions from £10.7 to £9.1 million.

The bank said the "business sector in these areas will take some time to recover completely" hot more miners wages were oow being paid directly into their bank accounts

Since the strike ended, the bank had rescheduled the majority of its 11,000 loans to

Profits were further helped by the sale of most of the ank's leasing interests, reducing its exposure from £129 to £18 million, and by a change in accounting standards or depreciation of property and

computer hardware.

Mr Sunderland said the underlying profits growth was around £5 million.

The bank would oow concentrate on more aggressive lending to small and mediumsized businesses and planned to commit £100 million to mortgage lending in the com-

ing year. It was becoming harder to attract new deposit accounts and the leasing sale gave the bank an unacceptably high

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Bid fervour sustains the equity market

Lower interest rates would not do the equity market any harm, especially at most rewarding takeover of the a time when doubts about its continuing strength are creeping in.
The mood is dominated by bid fever,
with yesterday's offer for Granada by
the Rank Organisation the latest of what still promises to be a continuing line. High priced paper is a positive stimulus to takeover minded boards so the two forces interact to keep the

market buoyant. Rank-Granada provides another example of the law of equal and opposite reasoning. Having advertised that it was available to be taken over and provisionally eodorsing the approach from Ladbroke, the Granada board when faced with Rank has done an instant 180 degree

Yet the logic of merging with Rank is at least as powerful as merging with Ladbroke and the house styles of Rank and Granada are more akin. Alex Bernstein made a grave miscalculation when he agreed to talk with Cyril Stein: he believed that in a Granada-Ladbroke group, he not Cyril would be in the saddle.

Cyril Stein is not however a natural second in command: the talks thus foundered. With Sir Patrick Meaney at Rank, Alex Bernstein has a much better chance, and I suspect that given the right financial terms from Rank, appropriate uoderstandings at board level would eventually pave

decade), he has done a first class job in restoring Rank to a credible and financially robust company.

Institutional fund managers have rarely had it so good. The only serious risk to their health for the time being is timiog: if they abandon the equity market too soon, their boards would have their manhood.

As the end of this bull market has been predicted for at least a year, those fund managers who have remained positive are congratulating themselves on their prescience, but realising how easily they might have been tempted to respond to bearish talk, borribly prematurely as it would have proved, has made them even more eager to move only with the

Thus the market has scarcely felt affected by the sea of troubles through which Mrs Thatcher is endeavouring to steer her leaking Government. Neither the pull of overseas haveos; nor high real returns in the fixed-interest market; nor the lure of property have had anything but a temporary effect in diverting attention from UK equities.

As long as virtually any company is for sale — a belief incidentaly much encouraged by the Prime Minister's positive attitude to the sale of Westland and the possible disposal of the way for an agreed merger.

Not that Pat Meaney is a pushover.

After a traumatic experience losing the market's order of priority.

PSBR data boost gilts

The Government Broker produced the equivalent effect in the market of one-hand clapping yesterday by refusing to appear at 3.30, after January PSBR figures which various traders described as either too good to be true or too true to be good.

The real ultra-sopbisticates out there on the pitches had, of course, been selling the market hard round about 3pm, trimming exuberant gains in the longs back to about a point on the day. Nevertheless, the tone of the market at the close was still optimistic despite the storming advances which have been made

before and after St Valentine's Day. appear with extra funding in- yields down to 8.90 per cent. But the struments. Leaving the market to its stock failed to bold these levels. own devices, rather than leading it on structure at current yield levels,

would probabaly encourage. Plainly, rate cuts are in the air. The more bot-headed of the analysts talk breezily of a 1 point cut in the offing. The movement of three-month interbank rates was significant yesterday in this cootext. Ahead of the PSBR numbers, it was down to 12 5/8 per cent, and it eased a further 1/8 point during the afternoon, boosted by the authorities' generosity towards the

money markets. via bill purchases, of £287 million, late assistance towards the discount houses.

yesterday's rate structure was still forecasts, the mandarins are making a only endorsing current base rates of point about high City salaries far 121/2 per cent, and not, in the market's more subtly than the rumblings from collective judgement, demonstrating No 10.

any great desire for an immediate downward move in base rates. Sterling, for some, was telling much the same story. The currency pushed up through chart resistance points against the dollar, touching \$1.43. But at a fraction over 74 on the tradeweighted, it is hardly storming away against the rest of the world. Hot money seems to be easing, rather than crashing, into London so far this

week. But the picture could look radically different in three days' time. While London was receiving a useful boost from improved fundamentals yesterday, New York was sagging on On this basis, the Government profit-taking. At one point, the US Broker was probabaly wise not to long bond was 3/4 point ahead, with

This is an intriguing point of or tamping it down via taps, points weakness, since the Japanese authoritowards the development of a trading ties appeared yesterday to move towards correcting the acute imsomething which the authorities balance in the yen-dollar rate by sanctioning a more relaxed regime over capital outflows. Theoretically, New York bonds should benefit from this. Their relative weakness suggests that some traders have decided the Fed is not going to ease its monetary stance. And Fed funds did firm

yesterday by mid-session. London could still find itself playing reluctant host to cash outflows from New York, and this could give the question of rate cuts height-Against a sbortage of £300 million, ened imminence, to say the least. But the authorities supplied total credit, yesterday's measured response to good numbers leaves the authorities following this up with £85 million of in good heart. The Treasury, in particular, must be feeling pleased. By making the analysts look foolish Even after such belp, however, twice so far this month with their

turnover and other estimates to be getting easier. The high House, Brunswick Place, Lonare rather higher than in other street banks recognize frandom N1 6EE, £125. Daisy chain tension subdues oil trade

binse the Institute of Petrolenm Week.

But their normally raucous jollity has a forced air about it this year, for looming over the festivities like a North Sea storm is the turmoil in the Brent daisy chain market.

Several oil traders are bound to go out of business, and uncertainty about the financial soundness of many others has severely disrupted trading in this free-wheeling

waters for the calmer reaches (£7.14 million) at today's of regulated and recognized prices. Delivery times can be futures markets such as the as general as a particular International Petroleum Ex- mooth, but the loading time of change in London and the the cargo must be specified by

By Michael Prest, Financial Correspondent Oil traders the world over change? Or can an acceptable the daisy chain by 5pm on the Mr Timothy Morgan, oil analytic pathered in London this degree of order be brought to fifteenth day at the latest lyst at stockbrokers WICO week for their annual industry the daisy chain market?

The daisy chain takes its name from the string of traders who sell to or buy from each other on paper a cargo of Brent crude. Although the business is done on paper, there must oltimately be physical delivery of the underlying

The market started in the

late 1970s as a way of trading marginal quantities of oil. As the market grew, informal agreements between traders who knew each other were replaced by written contracts, which vary significantly. So it But wider policy issues have remaiocd case of tally a also been raised. Should an "gentlemen's market", unlike also been raised. Should an "gentlemen's market", unlike almost unregulated market in the formalized IPE and so important and politically NYMEX futures markets. The sensitive a commodity be daisy chain contract is for a allowed? Will traders abandoo cargo of 600,000 tonnes, the treacherous North Sea worth about \$10 millioo

BP's Sullom Voe terminal. Critically, payment terms can vary greatly.

In the last few years, three factors have made this largely paper market increasingly attractive. First, for North Sea prodocers who pay tax at the marginal rate of 80 per cent on production, the daisy chain is a way of minimizing tax by selling into the chain and buying the oil back at a lower

Second, the abolition last year of the British National Oil Corporation's right to buy per cent of British sector North Sea output left smaller traders and producers without a natural customer. They re-'sorted to the daisy chain, with crucial consequences, chains grew much longer, and deliv-

ery times stretched Third, the violent fall in oil prices to barely \$16 a barrel speculators could resist. But it ed by March Brent falling York Mercantile Ex- the ultimate contract holder in has also been their undoing, yesterday to \$15.60.

that what upset the market was oot the price fall as such hut a dramatic switch in the price relationship between Brent and West Texas Intermediate (WTI).

Texan traders heard of the plan by Mr Donald Regan, the US Treasury Secretary, to tax imports into America. They bought WII in the belief that it would rise, and sold Brent in the belief that it would fall. Holders of contracts to buy WTI and sell Brent thus faced heavy losses.

Nobody is sure how much is at stake. But an indication can be gleaned from the positioo for delivery next month. A total of 300 March Brent deals, some dating from last year averaging \$21.15 a barrel would gross the shorts, or sellers, \$800 million. Correspondiogly, that is other peoples' losses. The nervousprovided a temptation few ness of the market is illustrat-

The Trans-Oceanic Trust PLC

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The Annual General Meeting was held at 36 Old Jewry, London EC2 on Tuesday, 18th February, 1986.

The following is a summary of the Report by the Directors for the year ended 31st Dictober, 1985. <u> 1984</u> £3,770,967 £2,609,935 Total Revenue Revenue after laxation and expenses £1,447,750 £1,239,830 <u>3.38p</u> Earnings per Ordinary Share

Ordinary dividends for the year net per share <u>3.85p</u> 3.20p Net asset value per 25p Ordinary Share <u>193.5p</u> <u>193.30</u>

Overseas lovestment income was substantially lower in the year, following liquidation of the Company's bond portfolio: deposit interest received was also reduced as the sterling deposit held as part of a currency hedging arrangement

matured. The fall in income from these sources was more than offset by a reduction in interest payable following repayment of currency borrowings financing both the bond



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| Nat Westminster Royal Bank of Scotland | 12%. |
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Mortgage Base Rate.

Bankruptcy fear at energy firm

Denver, Colorado (APDow-Jones) — Energy Management Corporation said
yesterday it was seeking protectioo under Chapter 11 of
the Federal Baokruptcy Code,
and cited \$24 million (\$17
million) in unsecured debt
and the continuing slide in oil
prices.
Under Chapter 11, a company continues to nperate
with court protectioo from
creditors' lawsuits while it
works nut a plan to repay its
debts.

The energy concern said it

debts.

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inn. It said it owed two banks
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about \$10 milion in secured
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also owes holders of two
debenture issues about \$24
million in unsecured debt. It
added that it was not in
default on its bank debt or
bonds.

A bank board statement
said the S&L had suffered a
"significant dissipation of assets and earnings", had violated federal regulations and
directives, and was operating
in an unsafe and unsound
condition.

American Diversified, a
state-chartered stock institu-

In nine months, the company has had a net loss of \$5.8 million on revenue of \$6.5 million. Earlier this month, Eoergy Management was delisted by the American Stock Exchange because it did not meet the exchange's requirements.

Meanwhile in California, federal regulators took control of American Diversified Savings Bank, a savings and loan state-chartered stock institution, is 96 per cent owned by its chairman. Mr Ranbir Sahni, and 4 per cent owned by its president, Mr Lester Day, the bank board spokesman said. Neither Mr Sahni nor Mr Day could be reached for comment.

According to the bank board, Mr Sahni acquired the bank board, Mr Sahni acquired the million in assets, and "embarked on a course of explostate-chartered stock institu

ings Bank, a savings and loan barked on a course of explo-(S&L) institution with \$977 sive growth"

Drop in liftings cuts Venezuela oil export

Caracas, (AP-Dow Jones) — held at its storage facilities io Venezuela's exports of crude oil averaged less than 1.2 Curacao.

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Synergy sets the pace in takeover stakes

Synergy is the flavour of the market listing shows a den-cek. Already it has been the nite commitment to growth. week. Already it has been the justification for two large bids. United Biscuits for Imperial Group and Rank Organisation

It seems that takeover merchants no longer want to be accused of wheeling and dealng for its own sake.

No sooner than it had launched the £740 million £735,000 on sales which have offer yesterday. Rank was grown from £1.86 million to pointing out that both groups have interests in bingo, motor-way services and film.

The market liked the logic and was clearly pleased that concentrates on off-the-peg Rank has used its new found share price strength to make such a large takeover hid. Its users. The chairman and shares rose a further 3p to

547p yesterday. On the surface that is surprising considering the bid should theoretically result in substantial carnings dilution tinue at as Rank's shares still trade on a year. a prospective multiple of only 10 times earnings against pos-

sibly 16 for Granada. That assumes Granada will make £83 million in the current year.

But with the savings from combining the husinesses common to both groups, that profit figure could rise to nearer £100 million.

Granada rejected both the argument and the terms. But its claim that there was no industrial logic in the bid was somewhat belied by its simultancous suggestion that a merger could raise monopoly

According to Granada, the two groups would have 20 motorway service sites, representing half the total,

Granada was on better grounds with its claim that the terms were inadequate. The market certainly seemed to. think another hid was round the corner and pushed the shares up to 310p. 7p over the value of the share offer and 130 above the cash offer. ...

Granada is likely to argue that the terms do not takeaccount of its strong cash flow. No doubt this only serves to make it more attractive to

For a company valued at £8.9 million to opt for a main

strength to strength as the buil

run showed no sign of slacken-

ing. The FT 30-share index

soared 13.6 points to close at a record 1234.3, and the FT-SE

index of 100 shares gained

speculation, all sectors raced

ahead, Stores, which fell on

Monday on disappointing

January retail sales, were well to the fore, often scoring

Among leaders the spotlight

switched to Granada, after a

surprise bid from Rank

Organisation. The Granada

shares ended with 70p gain at

310p with Rank also adding

may be lining up a hid left Fisons 17p higher at 498p.

Among many other big names

meeting speculative demand

Electronics and armaments

was Bowater 7p better at 315p. Wimpey 10p up at 158p, and Lourho 5p higher at 254p.

Speculation that Beechams

double-figure gains.

5p a 549p.

- 16.6 at 1491.9.

PPL, which is placing a third of its equity for a full listing, is a computer software company specializing in business applications packages for large companies and government departments. Over the past five years pretax profits have risen from £68,000 to

almost £9 million. in contrast with other quoted software houses, PPL chief executive. Mr Roy Taylor, who has steered the company since it became independent in 1976, confi-

dently expects growth to con-

tinue at more than 40 per cent

That makes the placing price of 145p, and a historic earnings multiple of 11, look distinctly undemanding. Despite the sector's difficulties - with companies such as Micro Focus and Logica the likes of CAP, which came to the market last year and specializes in bespoke soft-

ware, still sell on historic ratings in the high twenties. Even the prospective yield, at 2.5 per cent is generous PPL's growth ambitions. especially in North America, are clearly going to involve

aquisitions. The net £2.05 million raised by the placing will wipe out PPL's £1.5 million borrowings but a large acquisition will mean issuing paper. No company is yet under detailed investigation, but Mr Taylor says PPL has the management strengths to double in size through acquisitions. Better,

over-greedy at this stage. About 60 per cent of PPL's sales come from the company's own software, with the rest from independent suppliers. Packages are sold with consultancy and training support, and maintenance accounts for about 20

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Shares romp to new peak

shares gained fresh impetus

from the £5 billion Saudi

defence deal. British Aero-

space made further headway 20p higher at 508p. Lucas rose

17p at 575p, while other double figure gains were seen

in Vickers, 358p. GEC, 210p.

Option trading in Bass was

reflected in the share price.

18p up at 368p. Among sec-

ondary issues Manchester

Ship gained 35p to 580p, excited by the Highams stake-

building, while doubled inter-im profits gave a 25p fillip to

Speculative buying was

good for 9p on Yorkshire

Chemical at 91p, while the

Claygate project gave a 25p

fillip to London and Edin-

burgh at 555p.

Gilts, looking for lower US

interest rates added another

while banks managed to

rally a few pence after

Mountleigh at 610p.

profit-taking

Against a background of and Dowty, 1870. Imperial

encountered

down 5p at 315p.

then, to sweeten shareholders

with a healthy premium on

the placing price, than to be

hardware cales Dealings will start on Feb-ruary 24 and a reasonable premium looks assured.

Stores sector

Monday's disconcerning re-tail sales figures failed to knock the stock market's confidence yesterday. There were even early gains for many of the main stores companies, including Dixons, GUS and W H Smith.

To some extent the market had been expecting a slow-down after last year's terrific

But many analysts were nevertheless surprised by the 1.1 per cent seasonally adjustfall in volumes between December and January. In view of this, the dealers' reaction seems muted.

Having outperformed the rest of the market for most of last year, the sector has admittedly been weak in recent months. Since the formation of Storehouse out of British Home Stores and Habitat Mothercare, which marked the peak, the relative rating has sunk from 119 to 106, where it is still anticipating above-average growth.

That interpretation rests on two sorts on tax cuts. First, consumer spending which is expected to continue growing, possibly at 2.5 per cent a year, would be helped significantly by any tax cuts in the

Second, the stores are the main beneficiary of the already falling corporate tax bill. This should be enough to ensure good near-term rises in earnings per share. But long- term growth prospects are uncertain.

Mr Nick Bubb of Scrimseour Vickers believes there are good quality stocks still worth buying. He recom-mends Dixons, Marks and Spencer, Next, Grattan and Ward White. But for the sector as a whole, investors would be well advised to wait for next month's figures for retail sales. If they confirm this week's weaker trend investors could be in for a

yesterday's setback.

Among the best rises seen in

Hopes of higher cement

prices lifted Blue Circle 7p at

580p. Elsewhere DPCE react-

ed to satisfactory trading news 17p higher at 465p.
Oils continued to lose ground and kaffirs fell 10p to

Option market: Calls were

produced in: Sunleigh, S and W Berisford, Sharna Ware,

STC, Stakkis, Grovebell, Am-

her Day, Whitecroft, Wellcome, Ransome Sims, Brunswick Oil, Cowan de

Groot, Barrie Inv. Cluff Oil, Five Oaks, United Biscuits warrants. Wold, Raine Inds,

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Hampton Gold, Campari, Sound Diffusion, Pavico.

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MAIN PRICE CHANGES

Brown & Jackson .. 28.00

Star Computer 63.00 +8.00

Micro Focus 190.00 +20.00

Checkpoint 95.00 +10.00 Bush Radio 130.00 +13.00

FALLS: ICC Oil Services 4.50 -1.50

Miss World Group 190.00 -

Triton Europe _ 170.00

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Westland, Monument

50 cents in quiet business.

the stores sector were GUS A.

43p up at 889p, and Dixons

showing at 35p rise at 1080p.

Information for Siemens shareholders

Siemens boosts capital expenditure and investment by 85%

During the period from 1 October to 31 December 1985, i.e. the first three months of the current financial year, sales in the Federal Republic of Germany grew much faster than sales abroad. It was once

more possible to make a slight increase in the number of employees. Siemens again accelerated capital spending, following a sharp increase last year, and improved net income.

New orders

New orders, at £3,592m, were 3% down from last year's first-quarter total; however, if power plant business is excluded there was a gain of 2%. The change in German domestic order receipts was primarily due to power plant contracts concluded the previous year; excluding power plant business, there was an increase of around 10%. Internationally, new orders held steady at £1,974m (last year £1,991m). The Components Group experienced

lower orders due to the worldwide depression in its markets; however, two-figure growth was achieved by the Power Engineering & Automation Group.

| in Em | 31/12/84 to | 1/10/85 to 31/12/85 | Change |
|------------------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------|
| New orders | 3,715 | 3,592 | - 3% |
| Domestic business | 1,724 | 1,618 | — 6% |
| International business | 1,991 | 1,974 | — 1% |

Sales

The rise in sales was also mainly attributable to domestic business. Worldwide sales grew by 9% to £3,051m. Siemens domestic sales accelerated 15% to £1,508m. International sales at £1,543m were 3% higher than the previous year. Sales of the Components Group declined 8%, while two-figure growth was attained by the Communication & Information Systems Group and the Medical Engineering Group.

| in £re | 1/10/84 to 31/12/84 | 1/10/85 to 31/12/85 | Change |
|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------|
| Sales | 2.810 | 3.051 | +, 9% |
| Domestic business | 1,310 | 1,508 | +15% |
| International business | 1,500 | 1,543 | + 3% |

Orders in hand

Orders in hand, at £15,739m, grew by 3% during the first quarter; inventories came to £5,391m (last year £5,014m).

| in Em | | 30/9/85 | 31/12/85 | Change |
|---------------|------|---------|----------|--------|
| Orders in the | d CO | 15,253 | 15,739 | 1 3% |
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Employees

Having created 20,000 new jobs during the last financial year, Siemens again increased the number of its employees by 1% in the first quarter of 1985/86, bringing the total to 350,000. The domestic work force remained unchanged at 240,000 during the first three months of the year as a gain of 2,000 employees was offset by a loss of 2.000 temporary student workers who left the company upon completing their agreed term of employment. The number of employees abroad grew to 110,000; 1,000 additional employees were recruited and a further 1,000 were added by the acquisition of new subsidiaries, mainly in the U.S.A. The average number of employees was 350,000, or about 6% higher than for the comparable period

last year; employment cost increased 10% to £1,426m.

Domestic operations

30/9/85 31/12/85 Change

350 7 1%

240 + 1%*

| International operations | 108 | 110 | + 2% | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------|--|
| | 1/10/84 10 31/12/84 | 1/10/85 to 31/12/85 | Change | |
| Average retrible: | | (Met) | | |
| in thousands | 330 | 350 | 4 6% | |
| Employment costs in Sin | 1,297 | 1,426 | +10% | |
| *adjusted for seasonal loss of | temporary s | tudent emp | oloyees | |

Capital spending and net income

(in German marks)

309m

80/81

327m

Siemens again boosted its capital expenditure of 2.8% (last year 2.4%), the same as for the and investment; the £282m recorded for the first quarter was 85% above the previous year's figure. The main emphasis was on fixed assets in the Federal Republic of Germany. Capital outlays of roughly £1,700m are projected for the current financial year. With net income after taxes of £84m (last year £68m), Siemens achieved a net profit margin

351m

82/83

total preceding financial year.

| in £m | 1/10/84 to 31/12/84 | 1/10/85 to 31/12/85 | Change |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| Capital expenditure and investment | 152 | 282 | +85% |
| Net income after taxes | 68 | 84 | +23% |
| in % of sales | 2.4 | 2.8 | 211711111111 |

All amounts translated at Frankfurt middle rate on 31/12/1985; £1 = DM 3.543.

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COMPANY NEWS

• FERMENTA: Group profit for 1985, after financial items, 320 million krona (about £30 million), against 82 million krona. Sales 1.60 billion krona (404 m illion krona). Dividend 0.75 krona (0.125 krona). Fermenta forecasts a 1986 profit of about 700 million krons on a nurnover of about 3 billion krona, exclusive of its planned takcover of With Sonesson and its acquisition of a controlling

stake in Pharmacia.

• PAN CONTINENTAL MINING: Interim dividend oil (same). Net profit Aus \$13.50 million (about £6.7 million). against Aus \$2.06 million. Turnover Aus \$51.42 million (Aus \$19.71 million).

BOND CORPORATION
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HOLDINGS: Interim dividend
cents (nil). Net profit Aus
\$41.74 million (about £2)

million). against Aus \$9.31 million. Sales Aus \$735.24 million. (Aus \$204.41 million).

• DEBRON INVESTMENTS: The directors are unable to recommend payment of any dividend for 1985. The company is currently seeking permission from the court to set ing principally from the disposal profit £147.733 (£244.650).

of Carpets International (UK) against the share premium account. On the basis of permission being granted by the court and in the light of income expected in the first half of 1986, the directors will consider paying an interim dividend next • HAWLEY GROUP: The

terms of the proposed issue of \$80 million in convertible preference shares has now been agreed with Credit Suisse First Boston. The dividend coupon will be 8% per cent, which is lower than the originally in-dicated range of 8½ to 9 per cent. The conversion price into the common shares of Hawley been fixed at 135p, representing a 23 per cent premium over the closing price of the common shares on Feb. 17, 1986.

• FUTURA HOLDINGS: Unaudited pretax profits for 1985 are expected to be in the region of £405,000 (1984 £366,702).

 PADANG SENANG
HOLDINGS: A dividend of 1. Ip (1.4p) is being paid for the year to Sept. 30, 1985. Turnover £581,013 (£925,737). Pretax

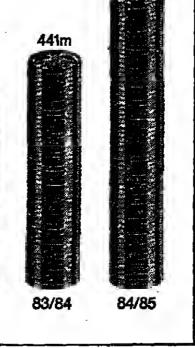
· ALEXANDERS HOLD-Proposed one-for-ten scrip is-sue. Turnover £58.45 million (£56.68 million). Pre tax profit £251,000 (loss £165,000).

• MOUNTLEIGH GROUP: increased capital. Turnover for the six months to Oct. 31, 1985. Pretax profit £2.31 million (£1.11 million). The rate of progress is well in line with the board's expectations and it expects property disposals to en-sure that profits for the current six months to substantially ex-ceed the £2.3 million pow reported.

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Highest ever dividend pay-out

Siemens will pay dividends totalling DM 573m for the 1985 financial year, the largest sum ever distributed to shareholders by a company In the Federal Republic of Germany The company's more than 400,000 shareholders, including over 140,000 Siemens employees, will thus receive a pay-out which is 30% higher than last year and nearly double that of four years ago. Thanks to dividend and market-price increases, the average yield of an investment in Siemens shares provided all proceeds were reinvested - was 23% over the past five years.

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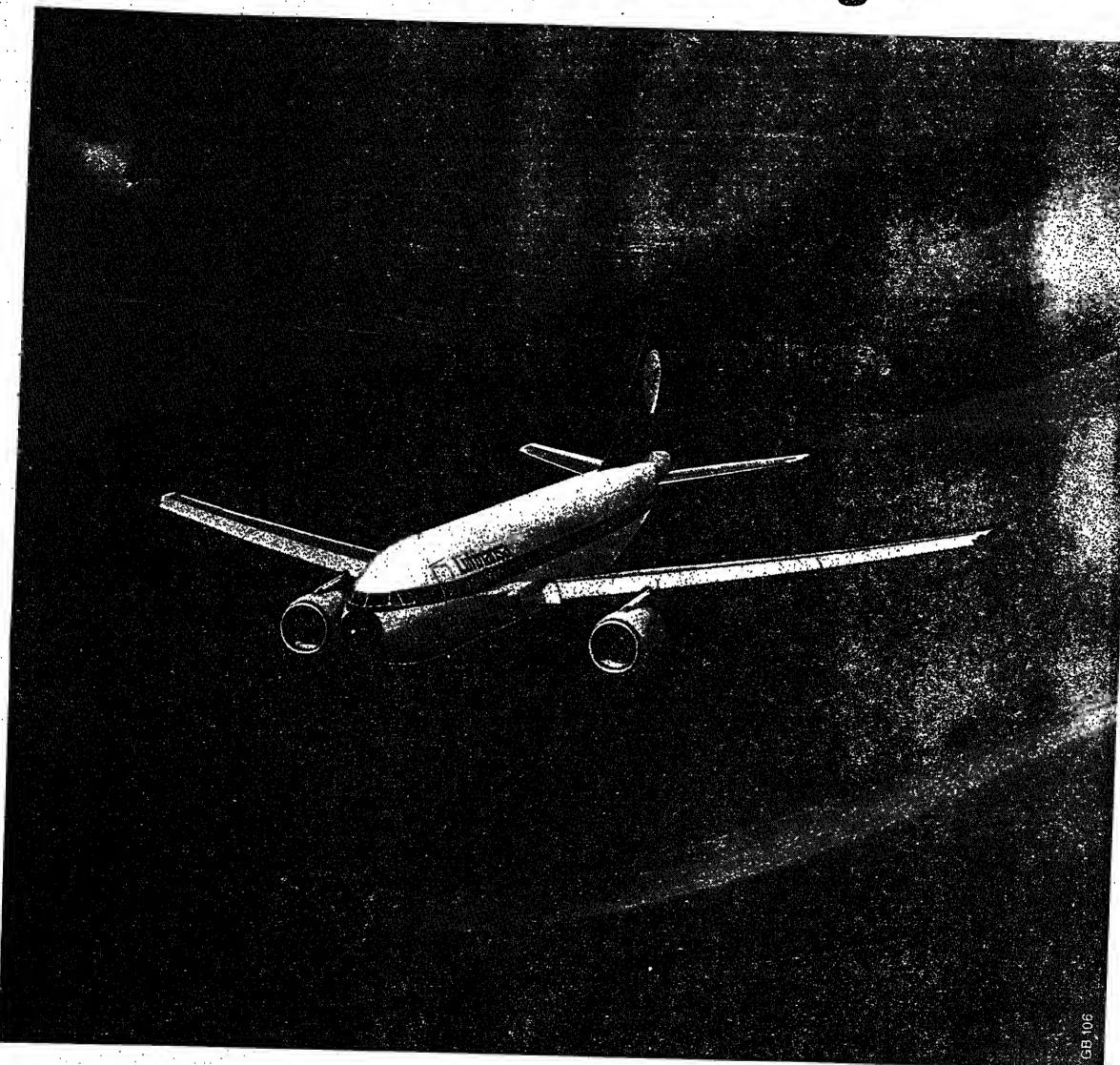
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Banks' retreat from US could be ill-timed

the US, one of the big new initiatives of the late 1970s. appeared to shift smartly into reverse last week. Midland Bank astonished the markets looks like an opportunistic with the news that it was move to pull back from an ditching Crocker National, the expensive mistake, the sale of tll-fated Californian bank, and Lloyds Bank California has was closely followed by Lloyds the marks of a more considdivesting itself of its US

impression that this headlong while Lloyds is receiving over retreat is taking place precisely al a time when most analysts value for its bank. Moreover, agree that the Californian banking environment, for some time a disaster area, has hit rock bottom and can only

That impression is reinforced by US bank analysts who say that at \$1 hil-lits international banking oper-lion(£704.7 million), Crocker ation, abandoning thoughts of was a steal for Wells Fargo. Certainly, Wells Fargo is

following a policy of withdrawing into its home markets, concentrating on its Californian retail network in which context Crocker is un-deniably a valuable addition. The attraction of Crocker was also that Midland had already done the essential work of cleaning up the bank's loan is a tiny operation by Barclays land. It is also cannily book, taking over \$1 billion of standards, with net earnings of Union to buy United

The British banks' much international debt on to its barely \$5 million a year vaunted policy of moving into own books. And after its Barclays has shown little interrecent poor performance est in developing the Califor-Crocker has valuable tax

> But while the Crocker sale ered decision.

But it is hard to avoid the net asset value of Crocker one and a half times net asset although Lloyds Bank California did not produce big returns it was not the colossal lossmaker that Crocker became for Midland.

Lloyds now looks firmly set on a strategy of withdrawal in a wide branch network to concentrate on a more centralized wholesale and merchant banking operation. Comparisons with Morgan Guarantee or Bankers Trust spring to

That leaves Barclays and National Westminster. It may not be long before Barclays Bank California is divested. It

nia offshoot

NatWest, on the other hand, insists that its East Coast retail bank, NatWest USA, will be the base for further building. After a somewhat inaustr cious start the bank turned in net earnings of \$40 million in 1984 and \$54 million last year.

The experience of Midland and Lloyds in the US suggests that British bankers have had trouble in judging the US retail market, but even more in judging the quality of the they were buying.

But it is striking that Standard Chartered and Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank, both foreign to the US, have made such a success there. Standard Chartered, indeed, is getting even more deeply involved in US retail banking with the purchase of United Bank of Arizona to add to Union

Standard Chartered's secret may simply be that as a diversified international bank it is more experienced in making decisions about foreign markets than, say, Mid-land. It is also cannily using

APPOINTMENTS Coutts names its new MD

Coutts & Co: Mr Julian Robarts will succeed Mr David Money-Coutts as manag-ing director from March 1. Mr Money-Coutts will continue as chairman. Mr Kevin Garvey is now head of financial control and the husiness development division. He has also been made an associate

The Post Office: Mr Bill Cockburn will become manag-ing director of letters and Mr Tony Garrett managing director parcels from April.

Shandwick: Mr Paul Thomas has been made a director. Trion: Mr Paul Minter is now sales director. Tilbury: Mr M C Bottjer

has been made assistant man-

aging director. Lumley Insurance Consul- director tants: Mr Henry Lumley has become chairman; Mr Tony Ball, deputy chairman; Mr made chairman and chief Brian Harris, managing direc- executive. tor, Mr Peter Lumley, a Director Publications: Mr director, and Mr Peter Robin-Mike Bokaie is now publish-

sale of the company's interest in subsidiaries White-Young

and Partners, White Young,

White Young Consulting En-gineers, White-Young Petro-

gineers, White-Young Petro-chemicals (77 per cent owned), Prentice Royle and White-

Young Southern Africa (registered in Bolswana) for

\$451.500 cash. The purchaser is the White Young Consulting Group, a new holding company in which the management and

certain other employees of White-Young and Partners and

hold 84.3 per cent of the issued

ordinaty capital.

• Consolidated Gold Fields:

The agreement in principle an-nounced on Dec. 17, 1985,

between the company and Ryan International to enter into a

joint venture. Ryan Consolidated has been signed. The new company will reclaim coal and other saleable material from

coal waste dumps in Britain.

O ZAPATA CORP: The dividend due on February 14 will

not be paid.

• WINTERBOTTOM EN-

ERGY TRUST: The net asset value per ordinary share at the

1986, was 112p after the deduc-

lion of prior charges at par and 114.1p after the deduction of

osal companies together



Mrs Judith Symonds

son, company secretary and a director, Tie Rack: Mr Ron Delnevo

is now business development Multi Construction (UK): Mr Norman Fisher has been

Director Publications: Mr

the Wyndham Group, which are

equate and without commercial

logic. He forecasts that the profil

on ordinary activines before tax

for the year to Sept. 30, 1986, will be not less than £250,000 (£25,071). The directors will be considering a scheme of

reconstruction with a view to

enabling dividend payments to

be resumed as quickly as pos-

• DEBORAH SERVICES:

DEBORAH SERVICES:
Interim dividend 1.21p (same),
payahle Marcb 18, Turnover
£15.3 million (£15.2 million) for
the half-year to Sept. 30 last.
Pretax profit £375,000
(£301,000). The chairman, Mr

Arthur Britton, reports that the mainstream activities, scaffold-

ing, powered access and insula-tion divisions, continued to perform satisfactorily and the

painting division is now profitable. He is confident of a reasonable second half. The

company's shares are traded on

the over-the-counter market.

SCOTTISH EASTERN

INVESTMENT TRUST: A fi-nal of 1.15p, making 2p (1.875p adjusted) is being paid on May 5 for the year to Jan. 31, 1986. Pretax profit £6.45 million £6.2

million). Earnings per share

1.99p (1.9pl. • TEMPLE BAR INVEST-

COMPANY NEWS

SHEERWOOD: An agreement, conditional on shareholders' approval, has been signed for the opportunistic, wholly inad-

ing director. Mr Peter Middup joins the company as adver-

Aitken Hume International: Mr S A (Tony) Constance is the new group chief executive. Bradstock Blanch: Mr Paul Walker has joined as financial

Premier Computers: Mr John Lindeck has been made

finance director. Wakefield Storage Han-dling: Mr Bert Willow has become production director.

Barlow Lyde & Gilbert: Mr Stuart Hall and Mr Kennan Michel have become partners. Mappin & Webb: Mr Robert May has been made deputy managing director.

Drexel Burnham Lambert: Mrs Judith Symonds has be-come vice president, corporate communications, Europe.
English China Clays: Mr D
H L Hopkinson and Dr S R Dennison have been made

deputy chairmen. Appletree: Mr John Baines joins the main board.

million (£4.1 million). Earnings

per share 5.59p (4.91p).

• APPLETREE: The com-

pany and Fenmare, a co-op-erative, have agreed to form a

joint marketing company for the handling of the produce grown

by Fenmare for supermarkets. This agreement is designed to

strengthen both companies' penetration of this market. Fenmare has about 60 growers

who between them farm sotoe

40,000 acres in England.

• ALFRED WALKER: For the half-year to Oct. 31, 1985, turnover was £287,000 (£470,000). Loss for the period £198,000 (profit £1,000). No tax full). Loss per share 6.50 (0.1)

(nil). Loss per share 6.5p (0.1

earnings).

• IMPALA PLATINUM

HOLDINGS: Interim dividend 35 cents (same), payable on April 11. figs in r000 Consoli-dated profit R165.93 million

(about £56 million), against R91.18 million for the six

months to Dec. 31 last, before tax and lease considerations

R64.11 million (R40,99 million). Earnings per share 177 cents (87 cents). The board reports that the 103 per cent increase in attributable profit

reflects both the higher revenue and the absence of forward

metal purchases as well as the

metal purchases as well as the foreign exchange losses which affected the previous period. Remanning has been successfully completed and it has proved possible to re-engage a substantial proportion of those former employees were constant into establish a warner of the control of the second into establish a warner.

coerced into striking against their will. The impact of the disruption is difficult to quan-

tify hut the best estimate is a loss of attributable earnings totalling R45 million and is unlikely that

the results for the full year will be significantly better than for the previous financial year.

• SIGMEX INTER-NATIONAL: Six months to Dec 31. 1985. No interim, but in

meod not less than 0.53p per share to November. Figs in 2000. Turnover £5.54 million (£3.92 million). Profit before tax £333.000 (£42.000).

cordance with the prospectus. the directors intend to recom

looking, ramshackle building, which has stood since about the beginning of the century, shortly after Somerset became a first-class cricketing commy. It is not, strictly, an aesthetic delight, but sits harmoniously with its surroundings. Taunton has grown in size, but still has much of the atmosphere of a country farming town, where you do not feel the pastoral is far away. Internally, the "O.P." was never well equipped. The dressing-room of the visiting side was in a basement. There was a redheaded Glamorgan fast bowler, a genial lad called J.B. Evans, who on first approaching it, waved his feam-mates back: "Steady, boyos", he said, "better put a canary down first." The players now have more comfortable accommodation across the ground, and I should be sorry to see the "O.P." go. It has too many memories - I do not speak only of my own breath among the cricket frater-nity, at least in the pubs I frequent, The Ring o' Bells, not speak only of my own GOLF

Why charity must begin at home

From John Ballantine, Honolula

Some of Mac O'Grady's harsh criticisms here of Dean Beman, the US tour commissioner, contained observations and ideas about the state of American tournament golf which found sympathetic echoes among or-dinary players, particularly those not among the leading

And thou what needest with thy tribe's black tents

Who hast the red pavilion of my

The Taunton cricket ground

acquired a swish new red pavil-ion-grandstand n few years ago. Its internal appointments are noble, and though I find it externally unattractive, I am

learning to keep my opinion quiet, because most local people are proud of it, especially now it

is nearly paid for.

However, there remains, on the other side of the ground, another stand, a wooden building of black and white, now commonly known as The Old Pavilion. The problem has recently arisen, prompted partly by the exigencies of fire regulations, "What to do with it? Knock it down, and replace it? Just knock it down? Or rebuild it to the extent required by the

it to the extent required by the fire authority?"

This has caused much imbib-ing of pints and expulsion (indeed at moments of stress you might also call it exhibing) of

is nearly paid for.

Francis Thompson

tooney winners.
Why should the professional who performs for the first two days of an event then produces lars for charity, who pays his entry fee, caddy charges and personal expenses for travel and to qualify, leave the venue without a cent? Should not every entrant in fields of 144 go

out of the total purse? The usual answer is that professionals are self-employed freclance contractors, the 14 clubs in their bags are their stock in trade and they endure weeks and sometimes months with and sometimes months with very little income because they are "their own men." Nobody tells them where they play or when and consequently they don't expect, nor should they receive, any reward when they fail.

But there is a growing body of opinion among the also-rans which says that this is not only a Caich 22 situation but is a basically unfair one. Forget O'Grady's wilder words about Beman. Here are some of his sounder ideas about how the tour should take better care of the men who make it what it is. "The tour gives away \$15 million to charity each year, admittedly an act of benevolence and kindness, but the players have no hospitalization schemes," O'Grady said, pointing out that charity should begin at home. "Jim Nelford mangled an arm in a water-skiing accident and that injury wiped out his savings and his career. Jack Newton walked into an airplane

propeller. That the tour doesn't have adequate insurance is an "We're allowed three releases each season to play in events opposite official PGA tournaments," O'Grady, who was once a European professional, explained. "If you're part of Beman's pseudo-elite social club he'll grant you more

respond by playing in a tour-nament of his choice later on. The dinosaurs (the top few players) tell him to stuff that. "Beman says that if we don't play in Wednesday's pro-ams, we don't get pension plan points. Yet we only get points if we make 15 cuts," O'Grady said, "Beman creates his own

Close to the county ground, and the Westpate, where the land-lord is Roy Marshall, formerly, of West Indies and Hampshire,

The Old Pavilion is a decent-looking, ramshackle building, which has stood since about the

who alienates himself or vi-olates Beman's principles of o'Grady's main complaint seems to be that the pro-fessionals are not so free as they ear to be. "If we're indepen dent contractors, as he says, how

Leading earnings US TOUR! (US unless stated): 1, H Sutton, \$141,960; 2, B Langer (WG), \$144,962; 3, C Peete, \$137,803; 4, D Hammond, \$117,092; 5, F Zooller, \$116,875; 6, C Pavin, \$103,907; 7, B Tway, \$101,835; 8, P Azinger, \$90,158; 9, T Sits, \$99,168; 10, E Stewart, \$88,192; 11, J Coote, \$78,136; 12, T Watson, \$99,136; 13, M O'Mears, \$67,530; 14, J Mudd, \$57,449; 15, M Webe, \$51,591; 16, J Manuafley, \$49,786; 17, J Thorpe, \$43,317; 18, P Blackmar, \$40,909; 19, C Stadler, \$40,551; 20, 0 Edwards, \$38,525, Britiste, 21, B Lyte, \$27,449; 113, N Faldo, \$4,017; 127, P Costerinus, \$2,421.

can Beman pul trade restrictions on our services?" be asked. This strikes an answering chord in the memories of British golfers who recall that Mr Beman, some years ago, attempted to make American tournaments on both sides of the British Open "designated" ones so that it would be impossible for players like Jack Nicklaus, Tom Watson and Johnny Miller either to and Johnny Miller either to holiday or do business in the United Kingdom detrimental to

That idea has long since gone, hut both critics and supporters of Beman believe that his insistence that more and more tournaments move on to PGA owned or part-owned "stadium courses" means that the tour here will eventually control
most tour sites, and when that
happens they say "watch out".
There has always, of course,
been a basic unevenness in the

distribution of prize-money, witness the cheques received here by Corey Pavin \$90,000, Bernhard Langer \$29,000, Mac O'Grady \$7,014, Nick Faldo (five strokes behind Langer) \$4,016 and Peter Oosterhuis (10 behind \$1,202

BOXING Rodney's toughest

encounter By Srikumar Sen.

Boxing Correspondent Prince Rodney, the British light-middleweight champion, will have to be at his sharpest to resist the challenge of Chris Pyatt, of Leicester, at the Albert Hall content to the content of Hall tonight. It is a contest full of interesting possibilities and much depends on Rodney's mental attitude. Pyatt is young.

Rechart author, ryan is young keen and ready for the fray.
Rodney has been showing signs of weariness after a long hard haul to reach the top. Turning professional in 1977, be had to battle all the way. He suffered a first-round knockout by Herol Graham, then after vioning the title he received an eye injury in sparring and was forced to give up the title. He won it back last May from Jimmy Cable hy knocking Out the Orpington boxer in the first the Orphigton boxer in the first round. But he looked lethargic in his last two contests when winning his Lonsdale Belt out-right against Mick Courtney and when losing a 10-rounder to Adam George, a lively young

Pyatt,on the other hand, is the most improving British boxer.

A Commonwealth gold medal winner, and nt 23 four years younger than Rodney, be is at his peak. In his 15 bouts he has been beaten only once, on a cut

Rodney perhaps the heavier. Both can be hit, but then again Rodney, perhaps, the less so, being the cagier after 37 con-tests, 31 wins and five defeats. the stylish and durable Brian Anderson, from Sheffield. Both Rodney and Pyatt had to get off the floor to beat Anderson, Rodney to stop him, Pyatt to win on points. They may have to get off the floor again tonight. is will be very much a question of who lands the first solid punch to gain the advan-tage. If, according to his way, Pyatt comes lonking for for the champion he could be on the end of a lonping left hand of the sort that sent Cable sailing through the air. If Rodney backs away and looks tentative, punching could have him on the canvas. To win Rodney will have 10 do the damage early for

memories, which go back no further than Gimblett and Wellard - but memories handed down to us by the Somerset pionesss: Woods, Hewett, the phoneers: woods, raewen, use Palairets, Braund, Daniell, White, Robertson-Glasgow. If the demolition men moved in, the ghosts of such would fore-stall them by walking through the walk. the walls.

Cricket is all the better for a

Cricket is all the better for a little hunting. Cricket grounds are foolish to let their oldest things depart. Yes, even Lord's has not been the same for me since the Tavera corner was destroyed by the new stand; and now that the Mound is to be relevated as well to a little and the mound is to be redeveloped as well, it will soon be no more than just another county ground, and not a very good one either, with its slope

The Old Pavilion at Taunton: not exactly aesthetic but it sits harmoniously with its surroundings

good one either, with its slope and its ridge.

I can report from Tannton that the committee have not yet been afflicted by the doomward rush. They intend to raise enough money - nbout £30,000 - to meet the fire requirement, and to preserve the outward structure. Whether this can be done, with all the financial complications, is not quite certain, but it will be a more feasible project

reconstruction ab initio, fa-voured by several senior mem-bers, among them my old and usually wise friend, Rex Frost. Rex was the county treasurer for some time, and the founder of the Supporters' Club, but his debenture scheme is really too ambitious. Somerset's fortunes amornous. Somerser's fortunes have been much brighter in recent years than seemed pos-sible throughout most of their history, but they have still never won the championship, indeed the championship, indeed last year they rather comically finished bottom, after a

last year they rather comically finished bottom, after a number of good judges (well, I and the Sage of Longparish) had made optimistic prophecies.

The upper tier of the stand, under the new plan, will provide seats for 180 vice-presidents, while below the bar and buffet will he nut together again. I am will be put together again. I am not sure, however, that all vice-presidents, not as a class of men

renowned for their agility, will like being transplanted to such a height and distance from the Stragglers' Bar.

As all readers who know the Taunton ground will immediately receive the fate of "The ately recognize, the fate of "The Stragglers", that single-floor,

Ramshackle building full of memories many different official names, but it began life as the property of the Somerset Stragglers CC.

of the Somerset Stragglers CC, and you can always tell a Tamton habitue in the morning on the nod, "Stragglers at one o'ctock then."

The Stragglers is not a fire hazard. It has been judged that if fire should strike, even the most convivial straggler should be able to take the few steps necessary to escape the holocaust, even if he is lying on the floor and holding on. Besides, as Rex Frost explained, there is no point in wasting money knocking it down, when it will collapse of its own accord any season of its own accord any season

now.

So for a while yet Sam, the harman there, and I will be able to hold our secretive, heretical Yorkshire conferences there, and if we are in the middle of nne, talking of Boycott, when the roof descends upon us, it will be felt, especially among vice-presi-dents, that we will have got no more than Yorkshiremen de-

Alan Gibson

The home-made insurance policy

CRICKET

Northamptonshire, who last summer bad only three locallyborn players in the side, are to organize a new coaching scheme within their own borders. It is an exciting concept aimed at insur ing the county's future and coincides with the completion of Stephen Coverdale's first year as secretary-manager to the

"We are a county with limited financial and population re-sources and the young players have not always been coming through," Coverdale explains. Brian Reynolds, the former Northamptonshire batsman and latterly chief coach, will now have his role expanded to ensure a closer liaison between the loca cricket association, the clubs

and the schools, right down to boys of nioe and 10. Coverdale, who is 31 and a qualified solicitor, is one of the new breed of young county administrators, who are helping cricket adjust to modern eco-nomic necessities. He won bisBlue at Cambridge, playing four times against Oxford, and ater understudied David Bairstow ns Yorkshire wicketkeeper before he joined the BBC as sports editor of Radio Leeds in 1982. Last spring he moved to Northampionshire, succeeding Ken Turner, who served the county

as an official for 36 years, the last 25 as secretary. "It is our hope that the comprehensive development we are planning for our coaching sei-up will benefit not only the county club but the game locally as well," he says. "I sometimes fear for cricket standards. The reservoir of talent seems shallower than in the past. This coincides, too, with a period when it is necessary for standards and facilities in first-class cricket to be higher than ever before. We owe that to our members, supporters and

Last summer Northamptonshire beld nets for about 80 cricketers aged between 16 and 22 who had written for trials. Yet you could count on the fingers of one band those with the basic ability who could be recommended justifiably to try and make the grade," he said. Coverdale said North-amptonshire had been planning to tighten up their coaching

arrangements for some time. A fresh impetus had come from the emphasis placed by the TCCB's recent Palmer Report on the need to do this on nationwide basis. "My personal view is that a great deal of the Palmer Report will only be regarded as a basis for discussion on the game's future structure. But I also feel

that there is no doubt that they are absolutely right about the need for coaching to be co-ordinated better." Coverdale has three specific areas of responsibility at North-

ampion: the club's administra-1ion. fund-raising promotion, and cricket manage-

At Northamptonshire be has problems unique among county administrators with a head-quarters ground shared by the town's Fontball League club, with both leasing their playing area from an ancient trust. "Inevitably the fontball club's presence imposes a limitation on the development we might try to do as a county cricket club."

Northamptonshire, with some 2,000 members and a turnover of only £400,000, are among the poorer counties and fund-raising remains a nagging worry for Coverdale. No other county is watching more closely the current examination by the TCCB into whether a proportion of the ancillary rights available to counties staging Test matches should be paid to clubs without the opportunity

for such income. Larger catering opportunities. hospitality boxes and advertis-ing boards which can be sold with a guarantee of television exposure, all bring extra income from Tests which is not there for counties such as Northampton shire. "It is a delicate matter and we oppreciate Test match rounds must have the best acilities because Test cricket is

so important to us all." "On the other hand." Coverdale adds, "the 17 championship counties should be regarded as an entity. Remembering those ancillary rights, we at the non-Test match grounds feel we deserve a slightly larger piece of the cake from them because of the

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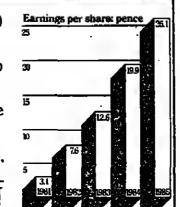
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SEEING THE UNSEEN



social club,hc'll grant you more \$4,016 and Pete than three but he'll expect you to behind) \$1,203. in the later stages Pyant's youth could tell. Babe Ruths among the bush-babes

WAUSTRALIAN crowd and a club like the Deanmarsh Martians has prob-ably not attracted Mr Packer's SPORT **Sue Mott** keen eye jost yet; but Australian

It is, in fact, growing at a fairly steady rate, creeping out from the cities through the suburbs to the busb and now, of all places. Northern Territory has taken up America's summ pastime - a curious sight on the dust-blown wastes south of Dar-

Much further south of Darwin the sport that made Babe Ruth famous has Victoria in a vicelike grip of excitement as the state has just won Australia's equivalent of the World Series, the Claxton Shield. Victoria defeated Western Australia last Saturday by five runs to two, to take the best-of-three series and cement their reputation as the country's finest.

The teams were caps, the catcher had mitts, and the knew how to throw a curve ball; but, frankly, the

For one thing, when a huge hit was fouled out into the darkened depths of the stadium, officials were forced to appeal for the ball's return. At \$10 a ball, they cannot afford to lose one, and, as if to prove on the that baseball is still an esoteric taste in this cricket-infatnated country, the ABC television transmission of the final was interrupted by quick operatic burst of Don Giovanni, Embarassed producers later acknowledged their mistake, but some thought they might actually be vying for a britador vinning base

Cariously, for all the sport's low to completely submerged profile, baseball bats have been wielded in Australia for almost n wielded in Australia for austoot in century and not just to kill-cockroaches. A rush of Califor-nia gold diggers to the fields of Victoria in the 1850s effectively

broader viewing base.

imported the sport and it was taken up by the locals in t894 when the New South Wales Buseball Association was

The Claxton Shield was in-stigated in 1934 and has been played for ever since with only a break for the Second World War, Norrie Claxton's permaneat tribute to the sport in which he excelled for South Australia. If it seems odd that anyone bothered to excel in baseball, it should be added that he was also a champion in cycling, athletics, bockey, cricket and Australian Rules football.

Reschall is now played by 100,000 people. The Bellarine Bears do it, the Colac Rebels play it and even the worldmuch to the consternation of their cricketing father. "I had an equal love of cricket and base-ball when I was n kid," las Chappell, the former Australian Test captain and rabid Yankee fan, said. "It certainly helped Greg and myself in putting away the full tosses."

Chappell, it may prosper the cause of sporting trivia to note, played for South Australia in the Claxton Shield in the midsixties and retains a great affection for the sport. "It suits the Aussie nature so well", he said. "The crowd can make some noise, sink some beer, and really get on the opposition" -what

The Claxton Shield final was an exception, staged at the magnificent Parry field with its fibreglass mound and flood-lights and nt least 2,000 spec-tstors packed behind home

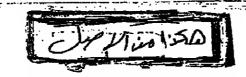
Usually the fields are a little more spartan, running the gament of ingenuity right down to sheep paddock, and with n crowd correspondingly varied. "We used to play on parklands where you had to be careful of the cow dung", Chappell said. "And often we would have to stop in the middle of a game when n cow

Not surprisingly, admin-

game. They see native resistance to a sport naturally pursued by hulking gum-chewers with multi-million dollar take-homes when all the Claxton winners take home is the shield.

Tunches of Australian authenticity are being actively sought but THe fact remains sought out frie tact remains that any truly prodictions prospect, like New South Wales's Mark Shipley, is whisked across the Pacific before cricket can soare him. Shipley is one of a handful of Australians who have made a professional career, albeit in the minor leagues, with the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Gary O'Brien, president of the Victorian provincial baseball league with 190 clubs on his excesses endured by the United extenses entured by the United States. "We have on drug prob-lem at all in the sport," he said. "The worst that happens here is someone drinking three bears



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Gatting's nose broken as England's worst fears turn to reality

From John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent, Kingston, Jamaica

seemed well founded when the first one-day international against West Indies began here yesterday. Put in by Richards, they finished at 145 for eight after 46 overs. Gatting having had his nose broken in the process of being out and Gower's recent run of failures having continued. To make matters worse, Ellison as well as Botham, was miss-

ing from the England side.

Gooch and Gatting had been together for 12 overs and were looking capable of pulling England round from a start of 10 for two when Gatting made to hook a bouncer from Marshall. To be fair to the West Indians, they had been rationing the short stuff and this was a perfectly fair ball.
Gatting simply backed his
chance of hitting it for four,
but it was a shade too fast for him and the bounce a fraction

Gatting departed, the leg bale off, his face streaming with blood. In Marshall's next over hut one Gooch, having made 36 out of 63, was caught at the wicket. But Lamb hung on and Willis raised England's hopes of some sort of recovery with three or four strong short-arm strokes, mostly off the fast bowlers, and lofted to the offside from outside the

leg stump.
A couple of dropped catches in the deep, offered by Lamb off Harper, also went begging. But in the 38th over Willey and Lamb were out off successive balls. Willey, mak-

Captain leads by example

Hamilton (Reuter) — Allan Border, with a masterly captain's innings of 77, led the Australians to a four-wicket victory over Northern Districts here yesterday in the opening match of their New Zealand tour. The victory, achieved only, a few minutes before the scheduled close, was rather more comfortable than the margin suggests and should put the Australians in good heart for the first Test match beginning in

Welliogton on Friday.

Border, who played the best innings of a rain-affected three-day match, reshuffled the bathad an opening bassman, Marsh, and the all-rounder, Matthews, in hand. Border displayed a superb range of strokes NORTHERM DISTRICTS: First lankags 167 for 2 dec (D White 53, 8 ft Blair 51 not out)

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Total (5 wich) 183 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-17, 2-22, 3-92, 4-110, 5-136, 6-136. BOWLING: Carrington 9-2-25-1; Tretter 23-5-92-4; Scott 4-0-24-0; Kuggeletin 3-0-14-0; Chocker 0.4-0-4-0; Kawmaning 1-1-0-0; Crocker 0.4-0-4-0

England's worst fears ing room for his stroke drove bowling with Garner, yorked emed well founded when the a high catch to deep cover, and Robinson in his first over and now approached 10,000.



It was thought better to give Botham more time in which to get fit for Friday's Test match, which the physiotherapist is hopeful he will be. Ellison, who has a slightly strained side and some prickly heat - a niggle and an itch - has been bowling well enough for no chances to be taken with him either. Rather than take the opportunity of including Ed-monds as well as Emburey and Willey, thereby fielding three spinners. England opted for Foster, Thomas and Taylor, an improbable trio of faster

bowlers. Patterson, opening the

Lamb, pulling, a higher one to had Gower caught at first slip long leg. The crowd, no more in his second. It was a than a handful at the start, speciacular start to the longlegged Jamaican's international career. Though not as tall as Garner and Walsh, Patterson is well over 6 ft and looks strong with it. Mostly he pitched the ball well up. partly, no doubt, because the groundsman seemed to have produced a less bouncey pitch than the last one. Patterson

bowled genuinely if not lighteningly fast. Robinson was out to his fourth ball, as was Gower, aiming a somewhat wafty shot at the pitch of the ball. In Patterson's fifth over, Gooch, then 11, was missed at slip, a sharp, shoulder-high chance to Richards, and Gatting took a first nasty blow on the left wrist. Of Gooch's first eight runs six were from edged shots against Garner. And Richards still had Marshall and Walsh

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P Wiley c Richardson b Mars
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England shown up in field From Simon Wilde, Colombo

England B must be beginning to England's discontent was not placated by what they clearly feh wonder what on earth they are

doing in Sri Lanka. Their frustration rose yesterday as steadily as the afternoon sun and their pursuit must feel as trivial as the board game which has now reached these parts. Sri Lanka advanced their first innings score from 161 for one to 390 for six in the fourth four-

day international here yesterday and with only one day left there is no realistic prospect of a definiteresult. A draw today would be the seventh in as many first-class matches for England on the tour. They continue to Agnew and Cook did yesterday, it is not being translated into the taking of wickets.

Their present frame of mind is epitomized by their showing in the field, which would have embarrassed most county sides. At least five chances went begging and any number of halfchances were casually left as such. Fernando, who went on to make a hard-struck 56 with three sixes and six fours, was dropped in the gully when four by Randall, who will oot be given an easier catch in his life. And if Randall is dropping them, then something must be

When England's lour began their ambition was to force Sri Lanka to bring in their most senior players, which they did England have succeeded in doing is allowing some young batsment o establish reputations Samarasekera had his off stump clipped by Tremlett with only seven added to his overnight century, in came England's old friend, Mahanama, Dropped at the wicket by Rhodes when nine, he scored an elegant 64 with nine fours and shared a stand of 94 with Tillekeratne. a

was poor umpiring. Nicholas remained busy ensuring that his bowlers continued to channel their energy into the next ball. They appeared unhappy about a number of decisions by K. T. Ponnambalam, the umpire, especially Cowans after he had had an appeal for caught behind turned down when Tillekerathe was 28. The umpire remained bespectacled and unmoved. Mahanama became the vio tim of a minor sensation when

he attempted to play Lawrence through the covers off the back foot and was bowled. It was the first time in 688 attempts that Lawrence had hit the stumos on the tour. There was much slapping of hands.

In the 13th over of the day Madugalle, the Sri Lankan cap-tain, retired hurt. A rising ball from Agnew deflected from glove to face and resulted in a fractured thumb, four stitches in his upper lip and the shedding of a lot of blood. In a similar incident three

years ago in a Test match in New Zealand Rumesh Ratnayake, one of Sri Lanka's opening bowlers, fainted at the sight of John Winght's blood. Agnew is no Rambo but at least he did not do that

ENGLAND B: First Innings 389 for 2 dec (D W Randati 92, W N Stack 85)

SRI LANKA: First Innings aranakulasuriya c Randali Lawrence aragrasakara b Tramlett Wickramasinghe not out....... Fernando st Pinodes b Smith ...

Total (6 wkts) 390 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-8. 2-182, 3-276, 4 298, 5-304, 6-390.

sponsorship for this summer's home series with India, They

wanted to appease the Indians it

over sporting links with South

"Women's cricket has been

my life for 25 years and I'm sad that I find it necessary to resign.

stand."

Cathy Mowat, chairman of the WCA, refuted Mrs Heyboe Fliat's charge of hypocrisy. "The WCA did not know this tour was taking place. We had to put our house in order and draw all the appropriate." The con-

a line somewhere." She con-firmed that the 12 banned

players ("only one of whom was realistically in with a chance of Test selection this summer") had been given 21 days to appeal

case there were any objection

Heyhoe Flint resigns after 25 years of her first England appearance. She said yesterday: "I am not objecting to the ban, but the way it has been done. This latest tour was the fifth of its kind to South

Africa in the last 10 years. A number of players who are in

this summer's Test reckoning have been on previous tours, but

Rachael Heyboe Flint, England's most famous woman cricketer, yesterday ended her 25-year association with the sport and reopened the verbal battle over links with South

Mrs Heyboe Flint, who played in 51 Tests and one-day internationals, said she would not serve as public relations officer for the Women's Cricket Association and then accused her furmer colleagues of

"hypocrisy". Her decision arises from the WCA's bas from this summer's ternationals imposed on 12 players who went on a private tour to South Africa in Decem-ber. Although Mrs Heyboe Flint was not part of the tour, she was in South Africa at the same time to celebrate the 25th auniversary

FOOTBALL

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Sheffield Utd v Bradford

Motherwell v Hibernian

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Dumbarton v Ayr United

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South Bank GOLA LEAGUE: Scarbolough v Frickley. MULTIPART LEAGUE: Button v More.

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Montrose v Falkirk

Partick v East File

Brechin City v Alloa Athletic

they are not banned.

The ruling should either have applied to everyone who has ever toured South Africa or be a warning for the fature. But the way they have done it is hypocritical and I cannot be a

Mrs Heyhoe Flint, a former WCA chairman, added: "Sevwith transmin, source: Several officers were well aware the tour was being planned, yet no warning was issued. I think the decision has a lot to do with the fact that the WCA wanted

TODAY'S FIXTURES

Bromwich: Hull v Leicester (7-0): Notting-ham Forest v Newcastle (7-0): Second division: Port Vale v Botton (7-0): Scun-thorps v Notes County. POOTBALL COMBINATION: Chariton v Southsmpton (at Bromley FC, 2-0): Millivsh v Reading (2-0): Oxford v Crystal Palsos.

Palace.
SOUTHERN JUNIOR FLOODLIT CUP:
Third round: West Harri v Arsenal.
LONDON SPARTAN LEGETE: Cup: Third HOUSE COMER ROW V HARWEL REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES: Royal Air Force v Dutch Air Force (at RAF Unconde, 2.0); Sudfolk FA v Herdordshire FA (at

RUGBY UNION CLUB MATCHES Aberthery v South Glamorgan Institute (7.0); Chal Service v Royal Navy (at Chievick, 2.30; Plymouth v Exete University, Cancelled: The Army v Termonal Army.

OTHER SPORT BOXING: British light-middle-weight championship: Prince Rodney v Chris Pyatt (at the Albert Hall). HOCKEY: Universities Athletic Union v Hockey Association (at Bisham Abbey, 3.0); The Army v Hawks (at Whitley Village,

SNOOKER: Dulux British open tournament (at Derby Assembly SQUASH RACKETS: ICI open championships (at Thornaby).

decide whether any part of it can open for the League game against Orient next Tuesday.

Shares meeting

Cliff Thorburn, of Canada. vho is at the top of the earnings list for this season, makes his first appearance today in the Dulux British Open snonker championship after a short holi-

Safety hitch

Northampton Town; of the fourth division, are facing further problems with ground safety regulations. The local fire authority says that the terrace behind one goal at the County Ground is unsafe. Barriers need attention on the terrace, which is used by visiting supporters. and a meeting tomorrow will

Middleshrough are to hold an extraordinary shareholders' meeting on Sunday, March 9 to discuss a proposed issue of one



knee injury which was thought to be ligament trouble; but it then was diagnosed that he required an opera-

His loss comes as a blow to the League champions, as they chase the a squad which is already missing its first-choice centre half, Derek Mountfield, because of injury.

into the transfer market to strengthen

United's best assets are frozen

The postponement yesterday of Manchester United's FA Cup
fifth-round tie against West
Ham United at Upton Park
must have been well received al
Old Trafford. The tie, due to be

played tooight, has been put back a fortnight because of next week's internationals and, should United play in the meantime, Bryan Robson and Norman Whiteside could become available. The pair will be paying

range weather forecast over the next few days. United have two games scheduled between now and the new Cup date, Monday, March 3, against West Bromwich Albion and Southampton, while Robson and Whiteside have one and two games respectively to go to the end of their suspensions.

United, whose success in the League championship is seriously threatened in particular by Everton's rush of form, will again be giving the Cup their

IN BRIEF

Race that puts

emphasis on

crew safety

sailors was announced in Lon-don yesterday. The rules do not allow any commercial sponsor-

ship for the cruisers competing

in the event, which starts io November from Gran Canaria,

Canary Islands.
Crews will sail to Bridgetown

mainly from yachtsmen making

the winter cruise to the Ba

The race, organized by Yacht-

ing World magazine, puts the emphasis on safety.

RUGBY LEAGUE: Oldham's

home game against Warrington in the Silk Cut Challenge Cup

second round, due to he tele-vised on Saturday, has been put back to Sunday with a three o'clock kick-off. The cameras

will cover a delayed first round tie between Bradford and Wake-

field on the heated pitch at

Headingley oo Saturday.
MOTOR RACING: Two

anonymous supporters of the

pion, Graham Hill, have put up the money for his son Damon to contest the £150,000-a-year British Formula Three

championship from March.

plays Mark Wildman in the first

Thorburn has so far won the

Langs Scottish Masters tour-

nament, the Goya Matchroom

Trophy and retained the Benson and Hedges Masters title when

he best Jimmy White in the

final last month. He is in the top

half of the draw and faces a

possible semi-final with Willie

Thorne, who is thinking of

nothing else but a prospective

meeting with Steve Davis in the

Thorne, who is in sparkling form, will have a lot to do should he meet Thorburn in the

semi-finals, for the Canadian

match of the afternoon.

A new yacht race for amateur

special attention. Their ability to overcome West Ham, whom this observer considers to have ideal credentials for Cup success this season, will depend largely upon the type of driving mid-field qualities that Robson and Whiteside can offer. All the other outstanding FA

poned as the freezing weather refused to relent. Aston Villa's rearranged Milk Cup semi-final which was due to be staged tonight, was also put into cold storage for next Tuesday. Tuesday. Tottenham Hotspur's tie against Everton, which was postponed from Sunday until today, has been further delayed until Tues-

day, March 4.
This will intensify
Tottenham's activity that week since they play Liverpool in a televised League match at White Hart Lane the preceding Sunday and, should they dispose of

Not for the first time, the

those top players who are so often accused of being self-indulgent and overpaid. There are not many people in any walk

of life who advocate working

longer hours for the same pay.

but that is what Ivan Lendl and

The two top seeds here at the ipton International Players

Championships have both stat-

ed publicly this week that they

would like to see the format for

this tournament changed to

best-of-live-set matches from the first round in both singles

and doubles. Currently all men's

matches except the singles final are played as best-of-three.

this event into a fifth Grand

Slam championship to rank alongside Wimbledon and the other three" said Lendl "Bui it

will never be considered that important by the players unless

they use a best-of-five-set for-mat. The Association of Tennis

Professionals and the Pro Council thought that by keeping the

make it more attractive to the

top players. But I can assure you precisely the opposite is true."

SNOOKER

By Sydney Friskin

Canadian representation in

this lournament is strong and

yesterday afternoon the burly

Werbeniuk was busy with his

son of Leeds. Werbeniuk had a break of 43 in the first frame, 68

and 30 clearances in the third

and 34 in the fourth to take a 4-1

lead. On the adjoining table

Eddie Charlton, of Australia, led

Paddy Browne, a Manchester-based Irishman, by three frames

Tony Knowles, after his 5-4

defeat by Jum Wych, of Canada, on Monday night, was back in hospital at Bolton yesterday

undergoing treatment for a blood disorder which has caused

appointed that I lost because I

thought I was playing well."
Knowles made bigger breaks,

day at his home in Toronto. He break-building against Joe John-

final. Davis. himself, seems to have a fairly easy passage into the semi-finals.

Thorne, who is in sparkling match. He said: "I am dis-

becomes stronger and stronger once he finds his rhythm.

matches shorter they

"The idea seems to be to turn

Mais Wilander are suggesting.

game's officials have underesti-mated the professionalism of conjunction with the Women's

Everton, will have Arsenal or Luton to deal with on the

FOOTBALL: POSTPONEMENT OF TONIGHT'S FA CUP TIE IS GOOD RESULT FOR MANCHESTER UNITED

following Saturday in the sixth round of the FA Cup.
Derby County are faced with similarly demanding weeks. Already five fixtures behind some of their promotion rivals in the third division, they could least Cup ties, excluding that at Liverpool last night, were post-poned as the freezing weather until next Monday, Because of it they face four matches in eight Last night's postponed fifth-

round replay between Miliwall and Southampton at the Den and tomorrow's between Brighton and Peterborough at the Goldstone Ground were put back - optimistically - by just 24 hours. There will be a morning

hours. There will be a morning inspection at Millwall.
REARRANGED FA CUP DATES. Today: Millwall v Southampton. Tomorrow: Brighton v Petarborough United. Monday, Feb 24: Derby County v Steffield Wachesday. Monday, March 3: Arsensi v Luton Town, West Harri United v Marchester United. Wathord v Bury. Treadey. March 4: Tottenham Hosspur v Everton.

Stars ask for more work

From Richard Evans, Boca Raton, Florida

The ATP, who are responsible

Tennis Association (WTA) did

players would be more inclined

to commit to a two-week even

if their workload was kept to a

minimum. But strangely for a

body made up exclusively of current and former players, they

underestimated their colleagues

pride of performance. Top play-

more likely to occur over three

players are usually unable to

sustain a hot streak over the full

"Yes, you could say best of five is beneficial to me in that

respect," admitted Lendl can-didly. "But I am prepared to go

out and work for it even if it

means many more hours on court." No doubt tournament

director Butch Buchbniz will be

cause everything he has tried

listening hard to these opinions

to create here, starting with the

128-player draw in both the mens' and womens' events and

the reintroduction of mixed

doubles, has been planned with

n view to attaining Grand Slam

recognition.

in an already-crowded calenda

Top clubs ready to spell out reform plans

That is how much could be lost in the event uffailure to reach agreement in the long-running controversy by the end of the season.

The League would struggle to

tempt a new sponsor to put up £5 million for a three-year deal, and television would be reluc-tant to enter into a multi-million point agreement while the threst of a breakaway still exists. Even though the top 22 clubs would claim 50 per cent of such deals under their restructuring package, what would be left is still enough, they insist, in bring the rest of the 92 clubs into line.

"The sooner this situation is resolved the better for all concerned," their spokesman, Phil Carter (the Everton chairman), said. "Football will go on next season come what may, But spokesman, the analysis to sponsors must be anxious to know what is going to happen, especially with respect to television, who themselves will want to see this debate resolved."

The first division clubs, putting on a united front, have spelt out the battle plan to get their own way. First, at the extraordinary general meeting on March 4, they will vote down the proposals by the Management Committee which do not ment Committee which do not give them enough power. Then they will call their annual meeting, probably in April, to put forward their detailed 10-point

package.

If that is not acceptable to the rest of the League they will seriously consider a breakaway. The chairman of Aston Villa, Doug Ellis, warned of the consequences and attempted to reassure the rest of the League that the clite clubs are not acting selfishly." I feel we have shown

Völler's **Mexico** dilemma

Bonn (Reuter) - Rudi Völler, the West German forward who has just undergone groin surgery, expressed serious doubts yesterday that he would recover in time to spearhead his country's struck in the World

Cap finals in Mexico in June.

"My taking part in the World
Cup is in great danger," Völler
told the West German sport
news agency SID in an interview
in the Belgian town of Leuven
where he had the operation. where he had the operation. In a league match for Werder Bremen last November, Voller suffered what doctors first thought was a torn muscle. But after several weeks the injury had failed to beal.

two new players in the side to play Northern Ireland at Pare des Princes pert Wednesday. The manager, Henri Michel, who plans to take three goal-keepers to Mexico, picked Bruno Martini, of Auxerre. Joel Bats remains the oumber

one goalkeeping choice with Sochaux's Albert Rust as cover, although he la not included because of injury. The other newcomer is Jean-Pietre Papin, Bruges's 21-year-

When Buchholz's plans first

became known, there was much talk of the Lipton event

superceding the Australian Open, which for the past two

decades had been very much the poor relation amongst the

world's four leading champion-ships. However, the Australian

LTA with the active support of

Philippe Chaurier, the president

of the International Tennis

hard to attract better entries at

Now, under the guidance of their far-thinking president Brian Tobin, plans have been finalized to build a new Na-

tional Tennis Centre close to the Melbourne Cricket Ground and

Tobin, who arrived here yes-terday, tells me that ground is

about to be broken. The new site

is expected to be ready to stage the Australian Open in 1988.

None of that worries Buchholz, who would be quite

content to have his event designated as a fifth Grand Slam.

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MEN'S SINGLES: Fourth round: S Enberg
(Sw) It M Davis (US) 6-2, 6-3; G Forgat (Fr)
It M Robertson (SA) 6-4; 6-4; J Nystrom
(SW) It P Analys (Peru) 6-4, 6-4; Y Nosh
(Fr) J Gunnerison (SW) 6-1, 7-6; I Land
(Cz) J Anes (US) 6-1, 7-5; J Connors (US)
It T Tulesce (Fr) 6-1, 5-7, 7-8.
WOMEN'S SINGLES: Fourth round: T
Pricips (US) It I Balestrat (Aus) 7-8, 6-2

Kooyong

Federation (ITF), have worked

The first division clubs are great responsibility in our disholding out a carrot worth at cussions about the future of the least £10 million to persuade the game," he said. "It's oot a case rest of the Football League to support their plans for reform. the rest and leaving them to game," he said. "It's oot a case of 22 clubs saying goodbye to the rest and leaving them to paddle their own canoe, even though we would grah 100 per cent of the income if we did. "We have tried to help them

as much as possible and we sincerely bope that we can continue to resolve this problem in a democratic fashion. But Carter warned that the first division resolve was hardening saying: "If things stay the same there is no way the major clubs will allow themselves to be dragged down to obscurity. We

will not let that happen."

As the second division clubs seem certain to support the first division proposals, it could mean a bleak future for the associate members of the third and fourth divisions, who meet in London on Wednesday to

Dooley is put in command

Derek Dooley, who first came to prominence when he scored 46 goals in 30 league games for Shetlield Wednesday in the 1951-52 season and then tragically lost a leg less than a year later, has returned to the limelight with his appointment as managing director of Sheffield United.

It was 33 years ago almost to the day when he played against Preston in a first division match and fractured a leg which had to

be amputated He refused to become despondent and with Wednesday be-came youth coach, development fund organizer and team man-ager before moving across the city to become Sheffield United's commercial manager

Later be became United's first paid director in 1983 and his latest appointment at the age of 57 means that he has filled almost every position in the

Brentwood effort rewarded

Schools football by George Chesterton

The schools' football programme has well nigh ground to a halt, though Brentwood ven-tured on to the field with King's Canterbury in carditions of freezing rain and a biting wind and were rewarded with a 3-1

victory.
Shanks scored early for Brentwood hut King's equalized just before half-time. Brentwood had most of the play in the second half with the wind in their backs. Wood put them ahead with a low drive from 40 yards and Bhachia settled the issue with a diving header Wood should be taking the field again on Sunday when,

weather permitting. Southern Public Schools play Sussex at Charterhouse.

Chartemouse.

SOUTHERN SCHOOLS: 5 Brown (Kimbolton), R Butler (Forest), P Wood (Brentwood), II Forth (Hampton), M Carpenter (Chiqwell), M Landstrom (Highgate), N Godbold (Hampton), N Brainley (Kas Wiley), C Isherwood (Wellingborough), B Campaner (Victoria College, Jersey), C Barnes (Eton).

BOXING

PM urged to intervene in Bruno bout

By Srikumar Sen **Boxing Correspondent**

Anti-apartheid groups stepped up their campaign yes-terday to stop Getrie Coetzee boxing Frank Bruno in a final eliminator for the World Boxing Association heavyweight title. They have sent a telegram to the Prime Minister asking her to intervepe.

The chairman of the Black British Conference against Apartheid in Sport, Paul Stephenson has also written a letter to Coetzee, who is at present in London, asking him to show his opposition to apartheid by calling nff the bout.

The letter says "Your pres-ence in this country constitutes a flagrant breach of the British Government's commitment to the Gleneagles Agreement. which clearly states the need to take effective action against all sporting competitions and con-tacts with South African sports representatives and teams. letter goes on to say: " You say you are opposed to apartheid. We challenge you to demonstrate this by calling off your fight with Bruno and joining the growing international eampaign for sanctions against your Government."

Mr Stephenson said that the three anti-apartheid groups spearheading the campaign would be seeking the support of Opposition party leaders. Neil kinnock, David Steel and David Owen, and Commonwealth heads of state. A protest rally for March 2 has also been or-

Player awards

Middlesex County Cricket Cluh have renewed their sponsorship agreement with Austin Reed, of Regent Street. Part of the agreementwill be in the form of individual awards for player of the month and

Armstrong's talks Ken Armstrong, the Bir-mingham City central defender, travelled to Walsall yesterday to discuss a £60,000 transfer. The

BASKETBALL UNITED STATES: National Association (NBA): Dallas Navercica 136. New Jerkey Nets 124: Clevatinis Covalege 111, New Yorkey Nets 124: Clevatinis Covalege 111, Notacy Dallas 110; Seattle Supersorius; 100. Altanta Hauts 57: Datroit Potona 117, Unit Jazz 96: Allamate Buciss 111, Philadelphia 75era 108, Princents Surre 108, Boston Celaca 101; Houston Brickes 118, Gelfines Stant Marrous Thorburn returns to worry Thorne

DOHA (QATAFI): Eight-ristion under-16 top-cursest: Uruguay 1, Getar 1; Morocco 1, Italy

ICE HOCKEY NORTH AMERICA: National League (NHL): Priladelphia Flyers 8. Warnipag Jets 4. Los Angeles Kings 3, Montreal Canadiens 2 (after actre time).

QUEEN'S CLUB: LTA men's indoor setemen portement: Second found: J Windam (Swe to D Massdorp (SA/8-3, 8-1; C Faix (Swe) to I Massdorp (SA/8-3, 8-1; C Faix (Swe) to I Whenelso (Kard) 4-8, 6-2, 6-4, 6 Cgranell (Can II F Riey (USA) 7-5, 4-6, 7-5, D Stone (USA wto A Cestre (Somersed, Str. M Christienser (Den) to C Kardon (USA) 6-1; 6-3, J Lodder (Weth) to S Bortland (Sackar) 7-5, 3-5, 6-4; 6 Orysches (Espent by F Souer (Med.) 7-6, 8-3

TENNIS

YACHTING

compiling them at a faster pace His best was a 71 in the seventh frame but the Canadian had a stronger finish. He came back to

Kirk Stevens, last year's runner-up, settled an old score when he defeated Cliff Wilson 3-0 to set up a fifth round meeting with Thorne. Wilson had beater him in 1978 in Malta in the semi-finals of the World Ama-

SCORES: Fourth round: K Stevens (Can) bi C Wilson 5-0. Frame scores, 98-28, 89-35, 73-6, 70-25, 61-50. J Wych (Can) bi Y Knowles 5-4, Frame scores: 41-33, 17-89, 76-18, 64-51, 58-40, 0-113, 5-95, 57-2, 56-48.

level at 2-2 and again at 4-4. eventually winning the match on the black ball with a clearance of 32, taking the last red, the brown and all the colours in Wych, whose business commitments in Canada have

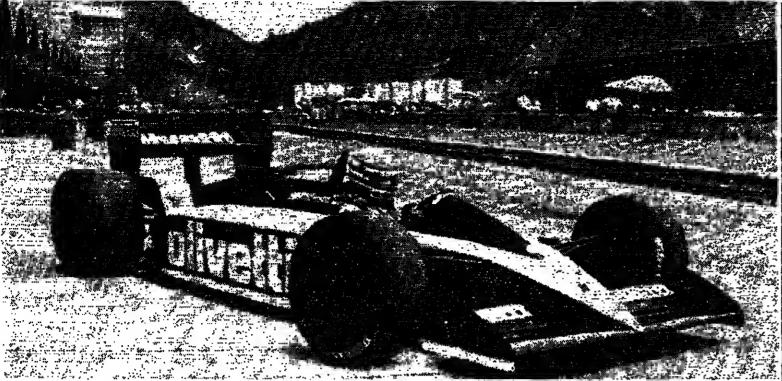
kept him away from the british circuit in recent months, said that he was back to stay

teur Championship in Malta.

RIO DE JANEIRO: World Plying Duchment chemplements: Lauding phothone; I. J Disselvé Descri (WG: 2 J Turner/P Altert (GB; 2 A Etten/T Dwort (WG: 4 A Enter/M Menge (WG: 5 M Savolik/R Gezzie (II; 6. A Ader/M Tentic Brans

player of the season.

Scot who joined Birmingham at the start of last season in a £100,000 deal with Southampton, was expected to give his decision late last night.



Getting a grip on the new grand prix season: Ricardo Patrese testing the tyres on his Brabham in Rio

WHERE SPORT MAKES A NONSENSE OF SECTARIAN INTRANSIGENCE

Ireland's blazer badge of unity

For an Englishman attempting to understand the complexities of the Irish sectarian problems, never mind for a foreigner, sport in Ulster and the Republic provides a strange contrast. It is almost totally united -and

Just consider the array of stars: Sean Kelly and Stephen Roche in cycling, both of the Republic; Dennis Taylor (snooker) and Joey Dunlop (motor cycling), world champions from Ulster, Barry McGuigan, bridg-ing the terrorist borders with his United Nations flag: Garth McGimpsey, the British Open ama-teur golf champion; Pat Jennings and Norman Whiteside, in football; and in atheltics Eamonn Coghlan and the brilliant new young miler, Marcus O'Sullivan Ireland, north and south, spends more on sport per head of the population than the United Kingdom.

RUC man member of the Republic's team

Irish sport consistently makes nonsense of sectarian intransigence. Ken Stanford, a member of the Royal Ulster Constabulary, was a member of the shooting team in the Olympic Games in Moscow... for the Irish Republic. David Judge, a Dublin hockey stalwart for many years with 120 Republican caps, played for Great Britain in the 1964 Olympics. The Irish Olympic Committee accepts only those governing bodies

which are 32-county based.
So almost all Ulster competitors, and many Republicans, have the option of two Olympic committees, Irish or British, because all but a handful of sport such as soccer and athletics, are all-Ireland, embracing the six counties. Catholic and Protestant scrum down side by side for the Triple Crown, or against each other for Ballymena and Cork. In Gaelic football, now into its second century,

BOBSLEIGHING

Britain's

injury

setbacks

By Chris Moore

World Cup combination bronze medal winner, Nick Phipps, are

world championships of

Phipps took only his first practice run yesterday before returning to his sick bed suffer-

ing all the symptoms of flu. His

brakeman. Alan Cearns. who missed last weekend's World

Cup four-man race in Lake Placid because of a neck injury.

has fully recovered, but Britain's no. 2 driver. Tom De La Hunty.

ond his brakeman. Keith Power, ended up in hospital yesterday and are both out of the two-man

De La Hunty, a PT instructor in the RAF, who is stationed in

West Germany, overturned on his opening run and had to be

carried away on a stretcher with shoulder and rib injuries. He

had already broken a bone in the same shoulder when he crashed in Lake Placid last week, and in

addition to popping a rib cartilage yesterday, also needed five

Power, a member of Phipps's

four-man crew, was deputizing for De La Hunty's regular

brakeman, John Edwards, who is also down with flu. Power

broke two fingers in his left hand

championships.

contention this weekend.

competition.

Konigsee. West Germany.

Britain's team, led by the

even if the "troubles" have created some division between supporters since 1969. In 1956 the Irish Olympic Committee had a silver and three bronze medal winners in boxing, all from Ulster. Since 1964, the biazer

badge has not carried the tricolour.
When Barry McGuigan defended
his featherweight title in Duhlin on Saturday, the banner of co. Down supporters was raised in triumph. The irony of the British citizenship of McGuigan, the boy from Republican co. Monaghan - which was required for him to be registered as a professional with the British Boxing Board of Control - is that it was granted on account of his Ulsterman grandfather, James McGuigan, 6 Catholic who was arrested and imprisoned for three years by the dreaded Black and Tans.

Sport in Ireland is tormented, but not deflected, by sectarian violence. In the fitness gymnasium in Lisburn run by Mary Peters, the 1972 pentathlon gold medal winner, there stands a life-size sculpture in fibre glass of Mary in shot-putting pose. Twice, before casting, the plaster was shaken off the framework when explosions rocked the studio of the local sculptress. A protestant cousin of McGuigan's wife was murdered by terrorist bomb, and when the Catholic champion was married at a Protestant church, his bride's bouquet was placed on a dead girl's grave.

'Sport won't bring peace", admits Mary Peters, the inspirational figure after whom one of Ulster's two synthetic running tracks is named. But everybody, whatever their allegiance, supports our sports champions, and sport helps lead to greater understanding. At school, Catholic never meets Protestant other than through sport or music or drama."

Mary is a driving figurehead in the annual Dale Farm Ulster Games, which with 16 sports has six more than the Commonwealth Games, for which this summer in June it forms in the last five years there's an Antrim is as enthusiastic as Galway, an important preliminary. The Ulster acceptance of the situation as

Games has a budget of £75,000, a 20,000 total audience, and provides one of the few opportunities for international sport for Irish competitors. The presence of overseas stars such as Ovett and Budd is invaluable incentive, although security scares have dissuaded some English competitors from attending, and last year Welsh and Scots swimmers stayed

away through parental anxiety.
"Of course, I too am anxious about security", Mary says, "because I'm seen as responsible for encouraging people to come here. Yet I live here still because I love the people" - she was born in England - "and because sport has brought the people together. The Ulster Games are the most exciting thing I've been involved in. It helps the Irish not to feel like second class citizens. It's so expensive for us to cross the water."

Commonwealth Games is the ambition

The proximity of Birmingham is one reason why Kevin O'Flanagan, Ireland's member of the International Olympic Committee, should vote for the British next October for the games

Mary's dream is that before she retires Northern Ireland might be able to stage the Commonwealth Games. That must be doubtful, with the security costs, and the lack of hotels, a 50-metre swimming pool and a velodrome. Yet it is oot a dream without hope. The Northern Ireland Sports Council, under the energetic leadership of George Glasgow, is seeing the benefit of a peak investment in 1982-83, and with its annual Government grant of £1 million now has 16 leisure centres.

"The problems throughout the seventies did affect winter evening indoor sport, such as basketball, table tennis and judo" Glasgow says. "But 'normal', so the setback has been greatly reduced."

The Republic's Sport Council Cospoir, under the leadership of the former 1,500 metres gold medal winner, Ron Delaney, and chief executive, Barry O'Hoolihan, bas a hudget of £1.6 million, and it grants aid to 63 national governing bodies.

Delaney is bopeful that the recently appointed new Sports Minister, Sean Barrett, who sits in Cabinet and is a former Gaelic football player, will be able to implement a national lottery which was proposed in a Government White Paper and could generate £10 million for sport and the building of a major new Dublin sports centre.

The Gaelic Athletic Association also cultivates the promotion of community activities in the cultural arena as well as its traditional football and hurling in which it has 20,000 clubs and more playing members than ever. Yet like soccer in the United Kingdom it finds itself under threat from the wider choice now available to young people, hence its branching out into a wider social

Interest in soccer rises and falls in relation to the success of the two World Cup teams. Jack Charlton, it is hoped, will revive the Republic, while the north is riding a crest following their second successive qualification for the finals. The English at one time were reluctant to travel to Belfast, but the ice was broken when Jimmy Hill took over an invitation international team including Bobby Charlton. The Scots still, surprisingly, make a finss about soing. Another of the anoma-lies of Irish sport is to be found with Derry City, who withdrew from the Irish League in the early days of the troubles to join the League Of Ireland (Republican), and enjoy crowds of 10,000. Their board of directors has a prominent Protestant.

David Miller

YACHTING

mile short

of leaders

HOCKEY **MOTOR RALLYING**

British men to show the world a united front

Tune 1987

By Sydney Friskin

The management committee of the Hockey Association, the controlling body for the game in England, have voted for the participation of a Great Britain cather than an England team in future World Cup competitions.
At present the three constituent members of the Great Britain Hockey Board, England, Wales and Scotland, take pen sepa-rately in World Cup and European Cup tournaments and once in four years play as one team in

the Otympic Games.

The new proposal is for the formation of a Great Britain Men's Hockey Association for the purpose of playing as one team in the World Cup. the Olympic Games, the InterClash of the Finns and

British and Finnish drivers are due to meet in what promises to be one of the closest National continental Cup and the Champions Trophy tour-nament, It will be put before the council of the Hockey Associ-The Hockey Association have

to be one of the closest National Breakdown Rally contests in recent times. Heading their countries' challenge when the 780-mile rally starts in Bradford on Friday evening will be the two top seeds, Hanna Mikhola and Russell Brookes. Brookes is the reigning Shell Oils RAC Open Rally champion and will be hoping his Opel Munta gives him a sound start in this first event of this year's championship; but Mikkola, who has already won this rally three times, must start as favourite in his four-wheel drive a 500 bhp Si Andi Quattro. given their support to the appearance of the Great Britain team in the eighth Champions' Trophy tournament at Karachi from April 4 to 11 this year and the ninth Champions Trophy tournament at Amsterdam in · Excier, the holders, qualified to meet Loughborough in the final of the Universities Athletic Union final offer beata 500 bhp Si Andi Quattro.

Tabarly one

Perth - The troubled Belgian Maxi racer. Cole D'Or. has recovered from whatever prob lem it was that was slowing her down earlier this week (Barry Pickthall writes). Yesterday the 82-foot yacht, skippered by Erie 82-foot yacht, skippered by Eric Tabarly, covered more ground than any other boat in the Whitbread round the world race fleet. She sailed to within one mile of the boat which is now in front. Pierre Fehlmann's UBS

Switzerland.
Côte D'Or. which suffered structural damage on both pre-vious legs of the 27,000-mile race, averaged 11% knots to achieve her second place - one knot faster than Lion New Zealand, the previous leader, Perhaps the strongest British Zcaland, the previous leader, challenge could come from the Weishman, David Liewellin.

Zcaland, the previous leader, which has now dropped back to fifth place.

ATHLETICS

Turner's attack exposes flaws

By Pat Butcher Athletics Correspondent

The only time that the rival factions in British athletics administration join forces is to relute criticism that they are still so far apart. There has been a certain amount of amal-gamation of the British Amateur Athletic Board and the Amsteur Athletic Association, in order to administer the huge sums of money coming in to the sport.
However, officials of both organizations adopted a strong defensive attack yesterday to-wards Mike Turner's criticism of fixture clashes, when the team was announced for the UK Soviet Union malch at Cosford next Tuesday. That match comes only we days after the European indoor champion-ships in Madrid and it will be a surprise if the 10, out of the team of 20 for Madrid, who have also agreed to compete in the match against the Soviet Union, will be til to do so after

Union, will be ill to do so after on arduous weekend.
Yet there was little said yesterday that stood up to Turner's assessment, as team manager, that such a clash was the result of "crisis management". Turner's broader criticism was in fact directed towards the continuing polarity of athletics administration in this country.

As a former international athlete, a Cambridge lecturer. and a disinterested party who was author of a report on how British athletics administration should be amolgamated. Turner is a more than welcome addition to that administration. In the wake of his report, he was appointed BAAB treasurer. Yet he now sees a similar report to the one that he prepared for the AAA being undertaken for the BAAB by Dr Bill Evans, the former chairman.

The contention of Nigel Cooper, the BAAB secretary, that Evans's investigation was "looking into specifics", does not really stand up to Turner's inference that this is further time-wasting. The money being wasted on such ventures could be better spent on athletes such as Linford Christie, the notional indoor 200 metres champion. who is to compete both in Madrid and Cosford.

As Schastian Coc pointed out recently, there is no way, with the money coming into the sport, that any British international should be found wanting for finance. Yet, in pursuit of his sporting goals. Christic has given up his job as a clerical officer and his only current Income is from the dole.

Income is from the doke.

UK TEAM (v. Soviet Union): Minn: 60 methos: C callander (Harringsy). H King Brischneit): 200m; L. Christie (Thames Vanley Harrians). J Rappis (Bolgrave): 400m; M Robertson (Wolves), 2 Whittie (Ayr): 800m; R Harringon (Liverpoot). T Mornel (Wolves): 1500m; M Kink (Bellymens). M Scruton (Sele): 3000m; S Births (Bergley). 2 Des (Luton): 6ban hurdler: S Beckeridge (Brichfield), C Jackson (Cartiff): High jump: C Aleindor (Berchield). G Preserva: (London AC): Polle vesule: A Ashtura (Sale): 8 Devey (Sheftssbury): Long Josep: O Brown (Chigwood). O Costello (Norrobic): Triple jump: F Agyepong (Sheftssbury): C Dencen (jothburth): Southern Henriens: Brick 8 College. burgh Southern Hermans; since is been (Thurnock) & Savony (Blackheath); Nave-mer; M Glimen (Wolvey), O Sartin (Hug.) (The hammer takes place at Aldersley Stackum, Wolverhampton).

Stocken, Wolvertempton).

Women: 60m: P Deren (Stretford), M
Mare (Caratti), 200m: C Bment (Caratti), P
Watt (Wolves); 400m: A Ploggood (Cateshead), C Whitefaunt (Stretford); 500m: H
Thorpe (Astricot); 500m: C Boore (Auteshot, Farnham and Destrict), K Carter
(5ata); 50m: hurdies: L Roper
(Hallentstrine); High jump: 0 Device
(Lécaster), C Summerfield (Wolves);
Long jump: M Berkeley (Cryoton), G
Regen (Caratti); Shot: M Augee (Cambridge), S Smith (Esser).

Julie Rose memorial

Geoff Parsons, the British high jump record holder, and Steve Heard are among a group of leading east Kent athletes supporting a plan to commemo-rate Julic Rose by the provision of a public running track in her home town of Ashford. Miss Rose, who was aged 21, died last November in an air crash in Iowa. A British indoor international at 17 and three times English schools 1500 metres champion, she was on an athletics scholarship inspired

When the first horse sets off

in April around the course, Weldon will be watching nox-

year there were too few finishers

Weldon does not suffer fools

gladly. He gives orders and expects them to be obeyed. His

forthright opproach and pierc-

RACING

Contributions from breeders' fund will exceed £1m

By Michael Phillips

this year from the British part of the European Breeders' Fund. This is well over three times as much as the receipt of the fund. This is well over three times as much as the receipt of the fund. The secretary of the fund. This is well over three times as much as the receipt of the fund that the fundatry. that contributed to the sport by

any commercial sponsor.

During the 1986 Flat season, the British European Breeders' Fund will contribute £519,150 in prize money. Of that £386,150 will go to the 214 EBF two-year-old races and the remainder to 65 selected weight-for-age races and 8 pattern or listed races. A further £207,862 has been allocated to breeders' prizes by the fund, which will also contribute £94,000 in

With £100,000 in prize money already being given to National Hunt racing and breeders' prizes, in addition to a substantial grant to veterinary research, the total provided by the British EBF will top the film mark. and the Racing in Ireland and France to tap.

Racing in Great Britain will has also derived worthwhile penefit to the extent of over £1m benefits from the EBF since

As a way of generating self-belp from within the industry, the scheme is hard to fault. Each stallion owner or syndicate pays the everage value of nomina tions sold in a year into the fund and this qualifies all progeny of year in which the payment is made, of that stallion for the EBF races and other benefits as well as the Breeder's Cup series

While it is fair to say that the racing industries of the respec-tive countries should be indebted to those stallion owners who have supported the EBF throughout it is also right 10 point out that that particular area of the market had become awash with money as prices became more and more inflated and that it was the right source

Nineteen Shillings to prove excellent value

From our Irish Racing Correspondent

Few if any of the racecourse executives in Ireland can match the cuthusiasm of those connected with Downnatrick For years its future looked in doubt but now things are coming right and this afternoon's programme has been entirely sponsored with the Lambourn trainer, David Murray-Smith, putting on a race named after last year's Irish Grand National winner Rhyme 'n' Reason. The Downpatrick connection stems from the fact that the borse was bred close to the course by Mrs

Jeremy Maxwell.

The Rhyme 'n' Reason flat race is confined to maiden four-year-olds, few of whom have yet raced, One exception Montore who was knocked over first Ome out at Leopardstowo and then came on to Naas to finish fifth of 20 to Raise Your Hand. This was clearly a well-contested event and the runnerup, Belsir, made easy work of winning a similar sort of event at Leopardstown on Monday.

Top billing today goes to the
Uister Harp Lager National, a
race remembered by some as
providing the launching pad for

one of Aintree's biggest po surprises, the 100-1 Grand Naoonal winner, Caughoo.

It is unlikely that we will see a future Liverpool winner in ac-tion but Willie Rooney boasts a

useful and still lightly-weighted handicapper in Nimeteen Shit-lings. The mount this afternoon goes to Willie's daughter, Ann Ferris, who was previously successful in this event on Bentom Boy.

Gangabal has made the long journey from co Limerick to co Down to contest the novice chase and if reproducing his Limerick form at Christmas when third to the smart Boyneside, he should have no problems against such Markree Castle,

SELECTIONS: 2.30 Betycrum. 3.6 Sweet Camden. 3.30 Nineteen Shiffings. 4.0 Ferniegelr. 4.30 Gangabal. 5.6

maximum of 10 opponents, all novices, in the £8,000 Diners Club Chase at Punchestown on

Irish keep the show moving

Only the Irish meeting at Downpatrick keeps the racing flag flying today - both Catterick and Warwick were called off on Monday. Tomorrow also looks likely to be a black day in Britain with Wincauton an early casualty vesterday and the meet-ing at Folkestone dependent on a Dam inspection loday. A course spokesman yesterday rated the prospects as "not very good". The onlook for Friday looks

equalty bleak with the stewards inspecting Southwell at 2.30 today (course frozen) and a noon iospection scheduled at Kempton (little snow but track Kempton frozen).

Ireland could again come to the rescue tomorrow when a meeting is planned for Thurles.

DOWNPATRICK

Going: good 2.30 PARGATE SAND & GRAVEL OPPORTUNITY MAIDEN HURDLE (£690: 2m 1f 172yd)(17 runners)

P J Farrell [4]
R McGlinchey (2)
K 8 Walsh [4]

9-4 Bellycrum, 3-1 Shullavogue, 5-1 Jolly Manner, 8-1 Homepath, 8-1 Glory Hunter i, Indian Pony, 10-1 Linda's Pet, 14-1 others

3.0 BEECOM MAIDEN HURDLE (£414: 2m 1f 172yd)(17) S Relly (3) T McGivern Mr J G Groome (7) 7-4 Sweet Camden, 4-1 Avotex, 5-1 Welch Quay, 6-1 Mickey Mariey, 8-1 silevennon, Quarry Machine, 10-1 Lohunda Lad, 12-1 Axxon Tornedo, 16-1 others.

3.30 ULSTER HARP LAGER NATIONAL EXTENDED HANDICAP CHASE (£1,380: 3m)(14) (E1,SB): Sm)(14)

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1P1 ALLERADOR B R ROCK 97 10 0 (10 ex)
400 BRANTS BUCK M Curringham 6 16 6
035 OUR CLOUD M McCausterd 10 16 8
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ing Southampton on penalty strokes at Bisham Abbey yes-terday. The score at full time was 2-2. partly by lack of facilities in east Kent. Building bigger and better for Britain

the Britons

"In my not too hamble optnion." Lieut-Colonet Frank Weldon said, "whot yoo have to do is not make a fence that a horse can't jump hot make one that gets the rider thioking." Weldon, director and course designer of Badminton horse trials, the world's most famous three-day event, added: "Or, to out it another way, io frighten put it another way, to frighten the wits out of the riders without injuring o borse on the day." For 20 years he has done just

and, with his arm in plaster, will that. Each year riders return in gloom from walking the coorse at Badmintoo declaring some new Weldon masiespiece to be take no further port in the Wolfgang Hoppe and his hrakeman. Dietmar Schauerhammer, have to be the unjompable (last year it was the Fairbanks Bounce). It never is, bot the intimidation policy oltheir collection of major medals ways works. Last year Karen with the European title in Igls. Stives, the American Olympic Hoppe is the reigning world team gold medal wincer, comchampion, having won the crown in Cervinia last year, and peted in her first Badminton. Reports and heorsas had al-ready given her a healthy re-pect for the event but after seeing the cross-country, she declared it "the most serious also holds the Olympic two-man and four-man titles from the 984 Winter Gomes in Sarajevo. But there can be no repeal of countered and proceeded to ride the East Germans' first three places in Igis when Bernhard Lehmann took the European each feace as if waiting for it to silver and Detlef Richter the attack her.

bronze. Only two teams from However, the sae which Badminton has traditionally ineach nation compete in the spired since its first running io 1949 was wearing thin abou world event, so the bronze medal, at least, will be under Weldon took over the reins in 1965 of the request of the present Duke of Beaufort (two It is 11 years since any country other than East Germany and Switzerland won the)ears later Weldon became director as well as course designer). In the early 1960s
British eventing was going through n lean period with no world two-man gold medal. Erich Scharer, Switzerland's world champion in 1978, 1979 and 1982, and winner of the Olympic title in 1986, has team victories and n falling stondard at home. The course at perhaps the biggest incentive to challenge Hoppe and company in Konigsee. If he sticks to his vear in match the lower standard

dance tigures, wedon act nim-self two targets: to design a course that would give the British the best chance of win-oing abroad and to make it e-citing for spectators. Both aims, he knew, depended on the strength of the cross-country. "When it came to designing the course, by far my most

uninable asset was the fact that I had seen so many courses obroad. Weldon explained. His experience had been gained through his roles as chef d'equipe, judge, technicat dele-gate and, above nil, rider. He was 40 when he rode to his first three-day event - o visiting general to the king's Troop where Weldon was commanding officer, suggested that he should have a crack at Budminton. At that time his sporting activities aere directed entirely to racing and all that the word badminton conveyed was "a high net and n thing with feathers on that you hit with n racket." The following year (1952) saw hlm and two subalterns at Badminton. It was not a propitions start. "The boys finished well but I caded up in Tetbury Cottage Hospital."

Luck changed with the pur-chase of the magnificent kitbarry, bought initially to race but, after being bobdayed, diverted to eventing. The pair were members of four European Championship gold medal teams (1953-55 and 1957). In 1954 they were runners-up at Budmiotuo and in 1955 a year's leave from the army enabled him tu concentrate entirely on eventing. The pair were on-besten that year. Theo the fioal accolade. With Bertie Hill (Countryman III) and Laurence



Weldon: high standards Stockholm in 1956 and Weldon took the individual bronze.

again should competitors 20 abroad and suffer the intense inferiority complex which I did."

While competing abroad Wetdoo was faced aith increaslogly stiffer, better designed courses than those at home. This began to give him and the other British riders a disadvantage psychologically. It also gave Weldon n guiding priociple when he came to design courses.

to his first year at Badmioton obstacles and, thinking of the public, he put groups of fences close together. The Willis Brothers, of Mariborough, constructed the fences (and still do). of competitors and there are no competitors and there are no competitors and there are no corresponding drop in attention the Olympic team gold medal at Thornbury are the two builders.

"t titerally couldn't do without 1bem." Weldon remorked. f170,000 on cross-country day) and, although the event costs nearly half a million pounds to in planning the course, Weldon refused to be hidebound stage, last year's profits enabled £100,000 to be sent to the British Horse Society, the sport's national governing body. by the convention that it shoold be smaller the year after the Olympics and gradually get higger over the next four years. "You've got to gear the course to the standard of the competitor." Even with the sophisticated qualifications Badminton re-quires, this is not always easy. ionsly on the closed circuit television. "It's nice to see the first one get home." Ideally, he likes to see more than 60 per cent finish and admits that last Tou know the top but not the bottom standard. A horse that has qualified in an odvanced one-day event in Northumber-

land is probably not as good as one that's qualified at, say, Gatcombe. This year he admits grudgingly that, with many of the best horses absent because of the world championships la May. the "general difficulty of the course is probably less." There are four new fences and several drawlic variations to existing fences which have kept the bullders busy since last Septem-ber. They have also moved large amounts of earth to create banks and other features. Weldon visits them several times a day.

"It's not like designing o showjamping course where the home over a glass of whisky and a piece of lined paper. With to think of the lie of the land."

his mind either. Only two events (1966 and 1975) hore had to be cancelled in the last 20 years but this is partly due to the thorough preparation which moes on before aaod.

ing gaze have withcred many a reporter at the annual Badminton press conference (he is himself in former equestrian correspondent of the Sanday Telegraph); but his military bearing conceals o dry sense of bomour. When describing his ideal event horse he said: "It's the blood that counts," adding sotto roce, "and in human beings too...". If he annually plumbs the depths of the riders' wits, bo is asking so more of them than he has asked of himself throughground is flat and you can do it at The weather is never far from

The work and the carefully laid plans have paid off. The 1960s have multiplied into the

out his life a bether as race rider (he twice won the RA Gold Cap at Sandown), event rider, judge or course designer. His contribu tion to British eventing may have to anli to be put in its true perspective. Lorna Clarke, when nsked obout the sport's future, said: "You can't boild higger than Badminton and, when Frank stops, that'll get smaller because no one else aill bave the guts to do it."

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BADMINTON

England must put troubles behind them

Nobody should be in any doubt that England have a two may well now miss the new and stricter regime. No first three days of the campaign and at best they will than the Thomas and Uber to Mulheim Cup European zone campaigns which start here today (Wed) without either Martin Dew or Nora Perry, two of the leading figures in the acquisitioo of a bronze and silver medal last time.

Despite their absences both England teams should comfortably make the top three who will qualify for the finals in Jakarta in April and May. More important will be the feeling and form of the teams who have two such famous oames omitted because they refused to agree to travel with the others to Jakarta. A profound sense of togetherness is oow essential if any hopes of further success are to be entertained.

"There are no problems.
The spirit is excellent," is the firm view of Jake Downey, the manager who has given the impression during the four and a half months since he has taken over that he is prepared to regard any of the players as dispensible to his long-term. The women by contrast plans if they do not fit in. The have realistic chances of beat-reality, however, will surely be ing the Danes, although much

saying here.

"We have got to forget about the hassle aod disagreemeots," Steve Baddeley, the England no. 1. says. Baddeley was one of those players who got together to request Dew's inclusion irrespective of whether he travelled with the team. "If we can do that OK it will help pull us together. I shall certainly be pulling hard."

Fortunately Baddeley, like most of the squad, is extremely professional, Unfortunately both he and Helen Troke, the European champion, went down with infections at the weekend while playing at the Poona tournament in Belgium. The rest of the squad were involved in Thomas and

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This means the fitness of England's two leading singles players may still be in doubt when it comes to the probable contests against Sweden and Denmark on Saturday and Sunday. Defeats here would not prevent England from qualifying but would effect seedings in Jakarta. Further-more, they would confirm the uncomfortable feeling that the balance of European power has swung strongly away from England towards their arch-

enemies, the Danes.
Frankly it is hard to see England overcoming a Danish men's team cootaining Morten Frost, possibly still the world's best singles player, and also two fine doubles players in Kjeldsen and Christian and Electronic finalists, and Fladberg and Heledie, the former world champions. Young Chris Dobson is expected to replace

ing the Danes, although much more complex than he is will depend on Troke being fit



Baddeley: determined

RUGBY UNION

Students combine against French

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

Francis Clough, the new cap-tain of Cambridge University, will lead the first combined English students side against the French students at Bath next. Trestor stonents are pain inch.
Trestory evening: Clough, the
England squad centre, will have
five of his university colleagues
with him, among them the two
internationals, Simms and Bai-

This is the first occasion that a side has been chosen covering. all the different areas of student rugby. Previously each tended to operate in a vacuum with Oxford and Cambridge in particular shunning contact with other's student bodies; however, at last year's annual meeting of the Rugby Football Union, Budge Rogers was invited to co-ordinate the different areas in an effort to produce one fully represented

Rogers, the former chairman of the England selectors, chaired a student selection committee in which lan George, their new coach, represented Oxford; Pat Briggs, the former England Under-23 coach, represented Cambridge; while John Robins and Mike Thispend Locked offer the Mike Titcomb looked after the interests of colleges, polytechnics, the University Athletic

Union and London University.
The upshot of their discussions is a side including six from Cambridge, one from Oxfrom Cambridge, one from Ox-ford (1 point winners of the university match last Decem-ber) two from Loughborough University, current holders of the UAU title, one from London University, three from poly-technics and two from other universities.

There is considerable firstclass experience throughout the side, in the threequarters and all side, in the threequarters and all three rows of the pack where Ward, the Nottingham club prop. Edwards, the Rosslyn Park lock and his club colleague Mantel, on the flank, join Slack, the Blackheath no. 8. Slack has also played for Cumbria in the county championship while another northerner, Nelson-Williams anytegrs on the right wing liams, appears on the right wing after making an impact for

"The side was picked purely on merit, not in an effort to balance the different sectors. Brian McLellan, administrative secretary to the students, said yesterday. The continuing rise of the polytechnics is reflected by their representation though it is worth remembering that when England students played Wales last season, the two sides in-cluded 17 polytechnic players. Several members of the side

will challenge for places in England's Under-23 squad this reason. The combined students train together over the weekend of March 16 to 18 before playing the Welsh students on March 26 at Cambridge and their successful players may find a place in the Under-23 team coached by Des. Seabrook mitch player Des Seabrook, which play Spain at Twickenham on April 9. The French after playing at Bath are due to visit Wales for a

game on February 28 against
Weish students at Bridgend.

• John Hall, the Bath and
England flanker, had an operation on Monday evening to pir the bone in his thumb broker early in Saturday's international at Murrayfield. His absence over the next couple of months will be a blow not only to England but to Bath, the John Player Special cup holders whose quarter-final against Lon don Welsh is due this Saturday Bath will therefore be pleased

that Spurrell, their former cap-tain, has recovered from rib injuries which prevented his appearance in the cup win over Moseley. He appears against the Welsh in conjunction with Egerton and Simpson while Chilcott - another England con-

Sole, Bath's Scottish prop who broke his nose against Moseley, will miss the rest of the season and will be unable to play for the Barbarians against East Midlands on March 5. Bath have also dropped Trick, their former England right wing, and replaced him with another internacional, Swift.

naconal, Swift.

Leicester have selected Underwood, the injured England left wing for their postponed fourth-round tie at Broughton Park. Underwood withdrew from the side that played against Scotland because of strained tendons and will have to play this Saturday to have to play this Saturday to prove his fitness if he is to win

prove his fitness if he is to win consideration for the England side to play Ireland at Twick-enham on March I COMBRES 1 Sector 1

The missing pictures

The Scottish Rugby Union, in common with England and Wales, now have new premises from which to administer the game following the completion of an additional wing at Murraylield (David Hands David Hands). Several of the new writes). Several of the new offices were ready by the time

Scotland played France in January and nearly all were inity functional before last Saturday's The SRU are also building a The SKU are also omitting a library and amseum, designed to include mementoes from every club in membership. They are seeking the best possible pic-

torial display and are appealing for a series of missing team photographs from between 1872 and 1913 and international ground photographs depicting games at Hamilton Crescent, Glasgow and New Hampden Park, Glasgow. The only missing secretary from their display is A. R. Szewart (Edinburgh Wanderers) who held office in 1875-79.

1875-79. Bill Hogg, the SRU secretary intends to use the new presuser for referees and coaches con ferences as well as for co meetings and the annual meeting.

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If A house which may have assisted Admiral Domett and his superiors is for sale at Lymington, Hampshire. Presegang Cottage, off the Old Quay, dates from the early lith century and was reputadly part of the Hartequin lish, where many sailors were invited to join Nelson's navy. The modernized cottage has three bedrooms, large reception room, cellar and small walled garden, Jackson and Jackson of Lymington are asking £72,500-plus. Danish devilry

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Flemings Hall, Eye, Suffolk, stands on the site of reputedly the final stronghold of Edmund, the lest Saxon king of England, who was murdered by the Danes in 807 AD. The estate was owned by the Bedingfield family for 900 years, and the present house was begun in the 18th century, with additions in 1550 and at the end of the 16th century. The hall is at the centre of a defensive fortified moat system and is in a remarkable state of repair, retaining original beams and 18th-century dowlmarks. It is being regraded to Grade I. Accommodation includes five reception rooms and eight bedrooms, reception rooms and eight bedrooms, and there is a staff cottage. Tha grounds of about five acres contain the Saxon most and a fish pond. Knight Frank & Rutley seek 2300,000-plus.

A rare freshold house in the heart of the Grosvenor estate in Belgravia has come on the market, and is priced at £710,000 by the joint agents Hampton and Sons and Chesterfield and Co. Twelve Chester Row, recently modernized, is on five floors and has two reception rooms and four bed-

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Northgate House at Bury St Edmonds, Suffolk, a Grade 1 listed building, is the principal property in a group of town houses near the cathedral. Dating partly from medieval times, there is evidence of 15th-16th, century timber work in the roof. The front now has an imposing Georgian facade and the rear a Queen Anne elevation. The house, once the family home of the late Nora Lofts, historical writer and author, has a reception hall, two main reception rooms, sitting room and six bedrooms. There are also two self-contained flats, and the house stands in about half an acre. Savills of Cambridge and Rutters of Bury St Edmonds are asking £175,000.

Return of single tenants

By Christopher Warman Property Correspondent

Companies and diplomats continue to dominate the upper reaches of the London letting market but there are signs of a swing towards individual lettings, according to a survey by Ironsides Residential Rental Properties

published today.

It is not surprising, given their bigger resources, that companies, banks and diplomatic missions should take up a large proportion of rented properties in the more expensive parts of the capital. but that situation has been emphasized by the reluctance of landlords to let to private individuals because - in theory at least - corporate bodies are more certain payers and landlords can expect to get their property back more easily.

The figures in this third survey by Ironsides show a steady increase in demand from diplomats since 1983, but the report notes that the market is still unsure how to treat the problems of diplomatic immunity - the example of a middle-eastern diplomat who would not move fresh in their minds.

Ironsides suggest it would be in the interests of individual diplomats either to waive their immunity where it affects rental agreements or persuade their governments to sign normal commercial contracts on their behalf. This would give diplomats a far wider choice of properties in a "suspicious" market.

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the survey said they were prepared to accept private individuals as tenants, the result - Ironsides conclude - of the Pocock and Steel case which demonstrated that the courts do protect private owner/occupier landlords.

Further evidence of this swing is shown in the table of landlords' concerns before letting, a total of 32 per cent now concern themselves with the 'quality of the tenant', ahead of other considerations such as payment (22 per cent) and vacation of the premises (29 per cent).

The survey also shows that there is a marked increase in the number of long lets of three years or more. These lettings are in prime properties with higher specifications. Supporting this trend are answers from tenants who demand certain requirements such as proximity to schools, the Underground and the need for off-street parking. Ironsides believe that longer stays will reduce the turnover in the market, which in turn should produce more price stability. Another effect, however, is that fewer than two-thirds of potential tenants are finding that the London market provides suitable properties as their requirements for a longer stay grow more stringent.

Three years ago, 83 per cent of tenants found the range of accommodation available suitable, compared with only 59 per cent this year. The difficulty is compounded by the fact that landlords prefer to let furnished or partly furnished property. For those potential tenants from countries including America and France, where unfurnished. letting is usual, it creates the problem of either storing their own or their landlord's furniture.

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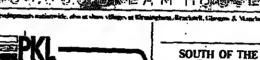
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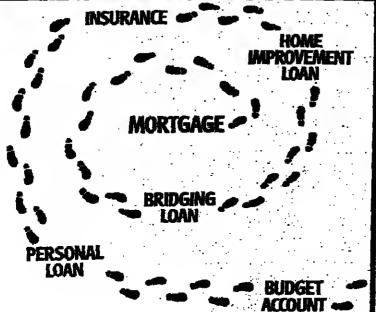
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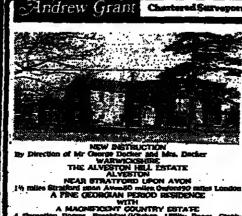
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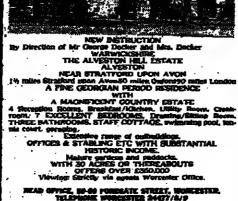
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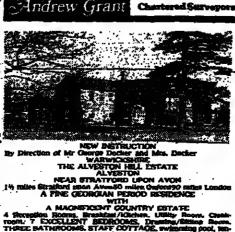
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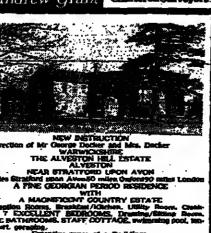
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ANDREWS On Thursday 13th February: passed away after a short illness Frederick Wila snort limes a Frederick Wil-liam Thomas Andrews D F C . aged 71. of Hassey-well Crescent. Hayes. Bromley, Kent. Will those who will miss him please meet al Hayes Parish Church 12 00 noon 24th February lor temembrance.

BARTON On Monday 17th February al Exendine House Colwall, Blanche Halt, age 97, widow of Alan Hasting Crossley and John Feddor

orossley and John Feddon Barion, befoxed mother, grandmother and great grandmother. Funeral service at the Church of St. Lawrence. Weston-under-Penyard on Monday 24th February at 12 noon. No mourning to be worn. Cut flowers please to 8. Hawcutt, F.D. Telephone Lectury 2084.

RATE on Saturday 15th February 1996, peacefully in Chellenham Constance Mabel Frances (May), widow of Leonard and mother of the late Rosemary, befoxed grandmother of Christopher and John, and the devoted great grandmother of Joseph and Esther Funeral 2 pm Thursday 20th February at and Estrey Funera 2 pm Thursday 20th February ai SI Philip and SI James Church. Grafton Rd. Leckhampton. Chellenham. Cul flowers to Selim Smith, Presibury Rd., Chellenham. BECK - On February 17th 1986. Dr. Heini Beck, aged 85 years, the dear lather of Feix and Jorns. Funeral ser-uce al Kinson Jewish Cemetery, Bournemouth on Wednesday February 19th at 3 pm No flowers please Do-nations for Cancer Research may be sent to Head & Wheble, IA Oxford Road. Bournemouth 21190. Bournemouth 21190.

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FIELD - On 16th February peacefully at his home, after a very brave fight against cancer. Dr. Dennis Field, aged 42. dearly toved his hand of Barbara and father of Kenneth and Colin. Will be sadly missed by his close family and friends, and the geological community worldwide. Foneral service at St. Gales Church. West Bridgford on Friday 21st Frbruary at 2pm. followed by interment at willord HIO Cemetary Please, no flowers by request but donations, if desired, to St. Gales Church P C C c o A.W. Lymn. Robinhood House, Robinhood House, Robinhood Street, Nollingham to whom all enquiries should be made.

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LONG On Monday February 17th 1986. peacefully at home. Belinda Catherine Marquerile, aged 18: adored daughter of Jill Pense and Anthony Long, befored sister of Nicholas and much loved step daughter of Jill Pense and step-sister of Arnanda. Suste and Richard. Funeral Service at St. Phillips Church, Earls Court Road, London, W.8 on Friday 21st February 1986 at 1 p.m. Ioflowed by private cremation. Family flowers only, but donations if wished. Io imperial Cancer Research Fund. Lincolm inn Fields, W C.2.

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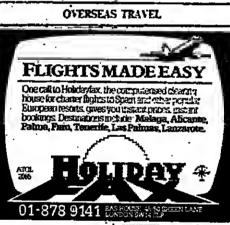
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11.25 Ayres for the Theatre: Parley of Instruments. Blow (Venus and Adonts); Purcell (Fairy Queen). 12.15 Concert Hall: Ronald

Brautgam (piano), Beethoven (Sonata in F sharp, Op 78); Schoenberg (Little Pieces, Op 19); Rachmaninov

(Preludes, Op 32, various). 1.00 News.

1.05 Herman Wilson: excerpts from At the Woodwinds' Bail.

1.30 Matinee Musicale: Ulster Orchestra, With Una

2.30 Debussy Piano Works: Martin Roscoe plays Estampes, D'un cahier d'esquisses; Six Etudes,

3.10 American portrarts: MacDowelt (Suite No 2); Copiand (Lincoln Portrart).

4,00 Choral Evensong from National Cathedral of St

5.00 Midweek Choice:

Patrick, Dublin. 4.55 News

Krommer (Octet-Partita in F, Op 57); Bach (Violin Concerto in E, BWV 1042: Anne-Sophie Mutter);

(symphonic poem Ein Heldenlehen)

Rachmaninov (To the Children: Soderstrom); Giuliani (Guitar concerto in A: John Williams). Strai

7.00 Choral Voices: Sintonia

Chorus Works by Victoria, Poulenc (Salve regina). Vecchi, Kevin

ephens, Tucapsky

7.30 Voices: play by Susan Griffin With Faith Brook, Doreen Mantle, Anna Nygh, Karen Brown and Colette

8.45 BBC Welsh SO: with Anne-Sophie Mutter (violin), Philip Langridge (tenor), John Birch (organ).BBC Welsh Chorus, Cardiff Polyphonic Choir. Arrhynn Sirches Scutt.

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numpiano). Schubert (overture in D, D 590); Finzi (Ectoque); Elgar (Canto popolare); Albeniz (Granada, Sevilta); Lennox Berkeley (Windsor Variations); Malipiero (Cimarosiana).

9.05 This week's Composers:

:BBC1 6.00 Ceefax AM. 6.50 Breakfast Time with Selina Scott and Nick Ross in the studio and Frank Bough reporting from St Mary's Hospital, Portsmouth, Weather at 6.55, 7.25, 7.55, 8.25 and 8.55; regional news, weather end traffic at 6.57, 7.27, 7.57 and 6.27; national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 7.20 and 8.20; the new Top Twenty at 7.32; and a review of the morning newspapers at 8.37. Plus, Beverly Alt's fashion hints and Alison Mitchell's phone-in financial advice. The guest is Patrick

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9.20 Ceetax 10.30 Play School. 10.50 Gharbar. This week's magazine programme for Asian vomen includes a discussion on hobbies. 11.15 Cectax 12.30 News After Noon with Richard Whitmore and

Frances Coverdal includes news headlines with subtitles 12.55 Regional news and weather. 1.00 Pebble Mill at One presented by Paul Cola, Marian Foster and Bob Langley, Sue Hicks begins a new series on fish cookery and there is a song from soul singer Ruby Turner 1.45 Bagguss.(r) 2.00 Ceefax 3.52 Regional news 3.55 The Perishers.(r) 4.00 The

Chucklehounds. A new children's series about two furry dogs 4.05 Heatholiff - The Cat. Adventures of a ginger tom (r) 4.15 Jackanory. tom (r) 4.15 Jackshory.

Christopher Guard with part three of Clive King's Stig of the Dump 4.30

Laurel and Hardy.

Cartoon (r) 4.35 You Should Be So Lucky! The Should Be So Lucky! The first of a new children's talent and quiz show, presented by Vince Purity, played like a huge board game featuring two teams representing theatre and dance schools from around the country

5.00 John Craven's Newsround 5.10 Running Scared. The final episode and Paula has to make the heartbreaking choice between her family and her friend 5.35 Hospital Watch. The third

day's dramas from Queen Alexandra's and St Mary's Hospitals in Portsmouth, and among them is a lady having her first session of physiotherapy after a hip replacement operation News with Nicholas Witchell and Andrew

Harvey. Weather 6.35 London Plus 7.00 Wogan. Among Terry's guests this evening are actors Jane How and Bill Fraser, karate expert Jeoff Thompson, with music . from Mr Miste 7.40 No Place Like Home.

Domestic confedy series starring William Gaunt and Patricia Garwood as the children keep returning to the family home with problems and unexpected guests (Ceefax) The Colbys. Adam.-Carrington arrives on the scene and does more to jog Fallon's memory than

anything tried. before (Ceefax) 9.00 News with Julia Somerville and John Humphrys. 9.30 Q.E.D.:Round Britain Whizz. This first of a new series covers every inch of Britain's 4,000 mile

coastline. With David Bellamy, Clay Jones and Patrick Moore. (Ceefax) 10.00 Hospital Watch. A round-up of the day's activities at the Portsmouth hospitals Sportsnight, introduced by Steve Rider. Highlights from one of tonight's FA Cup Fifth round replays; boxing from the Royal Albert Hall; and, what are the chances of Blimingham staging the 1992 Olympics? 12.10 Weather

TV-AM 6.15 Good Morning Britain presented by Nick Owen and Anneka Rice Exercises at 6:20; news with Gordon Honeycombe at 8.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 8.00; sport at 9.35 and 7.34; cartoons at 7.24 and 9.02; pop video at 7.55; video review at 8.34; bargain holidays in Portugal at 8.45; Julie Brown interviews Shakin' Stevens at 9.10

ITV/LONDON

9.25 Thames news headlines 9.30 For Schools: Chemistry chemicals from salt 9.52 Maths: counting and capacity 10.04 Children's street and playground games 10.21 How baked beans are manufactured 10.33 English: Part one of Rosa Guy's, The Friends, a story set in Harlem 11.00 Travellers talk about their way of life 11.20 Memories. For the hearing impaired 11.37 Science: keeping cool. 12.00 Mos

Moschops. Advectures of a young dinosaur (r) 12.10 Our Backyard (r) 12.30 Wish You Were Here...? A repeat of Monday's programme in which Judith Chalmers reported from Dawlish and Teignmouth; Anneka Rice began a three week tour of France by train; and Peter Marshall tested a family villa holiday in

1.00 News at One with Leonard Parkin 1.20 Thames news 1.30 A Country Practice. Medical drama series set in a small Australian town. 2.30 On the Market. Susan Brooks and Travor Hyett with advice on the best. food buys. The guest cook is David Bellamy 3.00 Gens. Drama serial set in Gerns. Drame serial the Covent Garden workshops of a fashion design company 3.25 Thames news headlines 3.30 Sons and Daughters.

4.00 Moschops. A repeat of the programme shown at noon 4.10 Bill the Minder meets a navigator 4.20
The Wall game. Theatre
workshop entertainment
provided, this week, by
pupils from field Middle
School with guest, Pam
Ayres, 4.45 The Book Ayres. 4.49 the books. Tower. Among the books. Roger McGough reviews today is Maurice Sendak's, Outside Over

There (Oracle) 5.00 Blockbusters. Nicholson 6.00 Thames news 6.25 Help! Viv Taylor Gee examines how the voluntary sector can provide support for carers. Crossroads, Roy

discovers what Anne-Marie has been up to. 7.00 This is Your Life. Earnonn Andrews springs an emotional surprise on another unsuspecting: Worthy.
7.30 Corporation Street. Deirdre plays the go-between to ber ex-lover and her step-

8.00 Duty Free. The final programme of the comedy series about two couples on a package holiday in Spain. (Oracle)

8.30 Never the Twain. Simon and Oliver decide to bury. the hatchet and go into partnership again. But in whose head is the hatchet buried? (Oracle)

9.00 Scab, by Gordon Flemyng and Geoffrey Case. Drama set in a coal mining series about two couples

set in a coal mining set in a coal mining community during the bitter dispute (see Choice).

10.30 News with Alastair Burnet and Pamela Arm. strong. Weather, followed by Thames news headines.

11.00 Midweek Sport Special. Brian Moore introduces coverage of the semifinals and final of the Blackthorn Masters Darts

news including extended coverage of one of the nam stories of the day
11.35 Weather
11.40 Open luiversity:
Argument on Television
12.05 Freedom and Championship; and Kevin Keegan with the first of his two reports from Mexico on the build-up to this summer's World Cup Night Thoughts Plenty. Ends at 12.35

Anthony Bate (right) Slaves of Fashion, BBC 2,9.25pm.

BBC 2

6.55 Open University: Dome is What You Make It. Ends at 7.20

9.38 Daytime on Two: science: tracks 10.00 For and four-

and five-year olds 10.15 Maths - tracking Venus 10.38 Using CSE maths at work 11.00 Words and

pictures 11.17 Using meps and compasses 11.40 Who are the people who make their classmates laugh? 12.10 Part five of

David Bellamy's series on trees 12.35 Lesson six of a

course for aspiring rock musicians 1.00 For adults studying O-level maths 1.15 Further education: Polys and Colleges 1.38 A river journey to the source of the Severn 2.00 A visit to Elector Castle

to Elvaston Castle Museum, Derbyshire 2.18 Walrus 2.40 The Earth as

Jeremy Flint and members of Bristol Bridge Club.

This first in a short Robert Mitchum casts the hero as

an army lieutenant, framed

for a pay-roll robbery, who chases the real thief across the Mexican

countryside together with an assorted cast of characters. With Jane

Greer and William Bendix. Directed by Don Slegel

7.10 100 Great Sporting
Moments. The 1973
Wimbledon men's Singles
quarterfinal match

between Britain's Roger-Taylor and a young -Swede, playing in his first Championship, Bjorn Borg 7.30 Out of Court. How many

sexual molesters go free because the abused child cannot take the trauma of a court inquisition? Is it

procedure?

8.00 All Our Working Lives. . Part six of the series on

possible to change the trial

Britain et work in the 20th century examines the history of the coal mining industry. With contributions from miners,

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managers and mine-

when King Coat reigned supreme. (r) (Ceefax) 9.00 M*A*S*H. A series of

thefts turns the medi

lot is discovered in Hawkeye's locker

9.25 Artists and Models. This

into sleuths and when the

everybody thinks that that is the end of the felonies

second of three films set in

a Paris studio during a

hundred years of revolution, recreating the lives of influential artists.

This evening, Anthony Bate plays Ingres, a painter who died famous

and powerful but out of

tashion. (see Choice) Newsnight. The latest national and international

Introduced by Jeremy

6.00 Film: The Big Steal* (1949)

a space-ship

5.30 News summary with subtitles. Weather 5.35 Bridge Club. Improve one's technique with

• SCAB (ITV,9.00pm) might well turn out to be the best play strike. We cannot tell until the rest arrive. Betw Geoffrey Case and Gordon Flernyng have fashioned the first TV drama from the bitter pits dispute. And it is exactly what you would expect it to be: sour and angry. First, the resolve

to win, born out of unity. Then, nagging doubts and crumbing resistance. And finally, capitulation, concealed by brass bands and banners. If Scab hes any hero at all it is Brian Clarkson (Dicken Ashworth), the miner who thimps on the bus taking scabs to work while reminding the turncosts inside that miners won't always be hungry, but scabs will always be scabs: Mesers Cese and Flemmon graite offerting and Flemyng make effe

CHANNEL 4

(1941) starring Ingrid Bergman, Domestic drama

with Bergman playing the role of a French woman

who goes back to the American family to whom she had worked as

she had worked as governess and commits a self-sacrificing act in order to save the family honour. Directed by Gregory

in conversation with Alison Laurie, the winner of the 1985 Pulitzer prize for her

novel, Foreign Affairs. Countdown. Yesterday's winner is challenged by

Alice. The second and final part of the story in which Mel, aided by a gambling win, backs the musical in which Alice is

appearing. His decision to sack the star, Joel Grey,

leads to a walk-out by the

audience on the opening

Bard's workshop continues with a two part

rempest. Is it a magical

fantasy or a dream within

power? (r)
The Christians. Part seven
of Bamber Gascoigne's
series on the history of

Christianity reaches the time of the emergence of Luther and the turbulent

of independence from

7.00 Ctiannel Four news with Alastair Stewart and Nicholas Owen. 7.50 Comment. This week's

Weather, 8.00 The American Century,

Greece (Oracle) 8-30 Diverse Reports.

How.Tima Life's cine

news magazine. The

March of Time, covered the 1947 - 1949 civil war in

Architectural journalist Martin Pawley argues that

the increase in property in prices is fuelling consumer

credit and featherbeds

political slot is taken by Dafydd Wigley, the Plaid Cymru MP for Caernarfon,

a dream about political dominance and sexual

Michael Bogdanov's

examination of The

5.00 Alice. The second and

night. 5.30 Shakespeare Lives.

6.00

Ratoff. 4.00 A Plus 4. Mavis Nicholson

2.30 Adam Had Four Sons*

use of Clarkson to illustrate how circumstances can aiter cases and causes. The irony in the choice of Scab as a title for bought's play is vividity externalized in the final shot of Clarkson's wife (fine performance from Barrie coverage of the picket-line riots have been skifully edited into the simulated sequences.

CHOICE

Shore) who stands apart from the pretence of a triumphal march by the returning miners. Actual newsreal

● Coincidentally, tonight's repeated film in the ALL OUR WORKING LIVES series (BBC 2,8.00) puts Scab into perspective. A history of coal

mining in Britain, it reinforces the grim truth of a line in Scab poken by one of the miners: We're standing firm in Quicksand."

 ARTISTS AND MODELS
 (BBC 2.9.25pm), the second portrait in Lestie Megahey's triptych of 19th century French painters, is about logres, the immovable Classicist. A complex personality. And Anthony Bate is just the actor to encompess the ambiguities
. Some of my colleagues have
found Megahey's approach
too diffused Everything is grist to
his mill, from ancient silent movies to rereminiscences, and

microscopic scrutiny of famous canvases. For me, the result is

Peter Davalle

5.00 PM: News magazina 5.59 Shipping 5.55 Weather 6.00 News; Financial report 6.30 Film Star, Alaxander Walker on Katharine Hepburn

7.00 News 7.05 The Archers 7.20 Women: Equal Sex? Bel Mooney asks four women aged 20 to 50 whatter the fairer sex has achieved equality with men. (2) A Woman At Home

7.45 The Mind In Focus.
Current thinking in
psychology, (2) Public
Opinion. With Peter
Evans, David Butler, Barbara
Mostyn and Robert
Worcester.

8.15 Analysis: When East Meets East. David

Wheeler on the future of Hong Kong. 9.00 Thirty-Minute Theatre.

'Listening to Sean' by Philip Marriott. With Jamie Roberts and Joe McPartland (r) (s) 9.30 Wives Of The Great Composers. Fritz Spiegl on Minna Wagner 9.45 Kaleidoscope, Includes

comment on the Romantic Lebanon exhibition at Leighton House. 10.15 A Book At Bedtime:

11.30 Today in Parliament 12.00 News; Weather 12.33 am Shipping Forecast

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Water only) as above except: 5.55-5.00am Weather; Travel 11.00-12.00 For Schools 1.55-3.00pm For Schools 5.50-5.55 PM

Schools 5.50-10.55 Pm (continued) 11.36-12.10am Open University 11.30 Introduction to Calculus 11.50 Technology; Dome

Radio 3

6.55 Weather, 7.00 News.

'Lake Woebegon Days' by Garrison Keillor, who also reads it (3) 10.30 The World Tonight 11.15 The Financial World

includes an interview with the celebrated harpist

3.47 Time For Verse, A stroll around the Tate Gallery which recently held a competition for poems inspired by the paintings there. With Kaven

Simon (r)
4.45 Kaleidoscope. A repeat
of last night's edition. It

includes comment on the film The Year of the Quiet BBC1 WALES 5.35 6.00pm Wales Today 6.35-7.00 Hospital Watch 12.10-12.15em

Prospects. The first of a 15-10.30sm Giorna Gochd 6.35-7.00pm Reporting Scotland 10.30-12.00 Film: Orca ... Killer Whate 12.00-12.05sm Weather NORTH-ERN IRELAND 5.35-5-40pm new 12-part drama series set in and around the Isle of Dogs in London a East End. The series follows the adventures and ERN IRELAND 5.35-5.40pm Today'a Sport 5.40-6.00 Inside Ul-ster 6.35-7.00 Hospital Watch 12.10-12.15em News and weather ENGLAND 6.35-7.00pm Re-glonal news magazines. mishaps of Jimmy Pince and Billy Pearson, friends. since schooldays and life-long letanders. In this opening episode the two young men pool their Giro CHANNEL As London except: 9.25-9.30am
For Openers 1.20pm Channel
News and Weather 1.30-2.30 Shine
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Young Doctors 5.12-5.15 Puffin's
Plaffice 6.90-6.35 Channel Report 12.25em Weather, Close.

young men pool their Giro cheques to linance a dating agency, but 27 female applicants and one male make life difficult for the duo. Starring Gary Olsen and Brian Bovell.

10.00 Film: Merry Christmas Mr Lawrence (1982) starring David Bowie. A powerful drama, set in a Japanese orisoner-of-war camp in TYNE TEES As London
except: 9.259.30am North East News 12.301.00pm Regrets (Tony Blackburn)
1.20 North East News 1.25-1.30
Where The Jobs Are 2.25-2.30
Home Cookery Ctub 3.25-3.30
North East News 5.15-5.45
Terrahawks 6.00-6.35 Northern
Life 12.25am Preparing For Easter
186 12.30 Close. prisoner-of-war camp in Java during 1942, about a conflict of ideals between a British prisoner and the Japanese camp commandant. With Tom Conti, Jack Thompson and Ryulchi Sakamoto. Directed by Nagisa Oshima. Ends at 12.10 YORKSHIRE As London except: 12.301.00pen Calendar Lunchtime

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9.00 News 9.05 Midweek: Libby Purves with studio guests (s) 10.00 News; Gardeners

Question Time. Dr Stefan Buczacki, Fred Downham and Geoffrey Smith tackle listeners' questions (r) 10.30 Morning Story: 'A Bitter Farce' by Delmore Schwartz. Reader: Rober Rietty rtz. Reader; Robert

10.45 Daily Service (new every morning, page 93) (s) 11.00 News; Travel; Brits Abroad, Susan Marling

on emigrant Britons in Cenada (r) 11.48 Enquire Within, Neil Landor and specialist experts answer listeners enes. ws; You And Yours. 12.00

Consumer advice, with John Howard 12.27 pm Lord Of Misrule. The battle for the lordship of a Welsh valley in the mid-18th century, (2) The Conjurer'a Women (r) (s)

1.00 The World At One: News 1.40 The Archers 1.55 Shipping 2.00 News; Woman's Hour.

Maria Robles.
3.00 News; The Afternoon Play, 'Marie' by Brian McAvers. With Maggie Sheviln. The setting; Belfast in 1968 (s)

Crossley-Holland 4.00 News 4.05 File on 4. With Stuart

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'ngrato, sung by Cameras, Boccherini (Gultar ntet in Eminor, G 451); Debussy (Iberia, Images, 8.00 News, REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

Honeybun's Magic Birthdays 5.20-5.45 Crossroads 6.00 Today South West 6.30-7.00 That's My Dog 12.25am Postscript 12.30 Close. Live 1.20 Calendar News 1.30-2.30 Falcon Crest 3.25-3.30 Calendar News 5.15-5.45 Survival 5.00-15.35 Calendar 12.15em Close.

GRANADA As London except 12.30-1.00pm Writers On Writing (Anthony Powell) 1.20 Granada Reports 1.30-2.30 The Baron 3.25 Granada Reports 3.30-4.90 The Young Doctors 5.15-5.45 The Beverly Hill-billes 6.00 Granada Reports 6.30-6.35 This is Your Right 12.15am Close. BORDER As London except: 12.30-1.00pm Glenroe 1.20-1.30 Border News 3.30-4.00 The Young Doctors 5.15-5.45 Horses for Courses. 6.00-6.35 Lookaround Wednesday. 12.25am News Haactines, SCOTTISH As London except: 1.20 Scottish News. 1.30 Job Spot. 1.35-3.00 Film: The Gun (1974). 3.30 Report Back, 6.00-6.35 Scottish News and Scotland Today, 12.25am Late Call 12.30 Close.

ULSTER As London except 9.25-9.30am The Day Ahead 1.20-1.30pm Lunchtime 3.30 Three Life Words 3.58-4.00 Ulster News 5.15-5.45 Terrahawks 6.00-6.35 Good Evening Ulster 12.20em News.

ANGLIA As London except: 12.30-1.00ptm Mr And Mrs 1.20-1.30 Anglia News And Weather 3.25-3.30 Anglia News 6.00-6.35 About Anglia 12.25em Starting Point, Close.

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7.05 Morring Concert:Rossini (Italian Girl In Algiers overture); Cardillo (Core

Ardwyn Singers, South Glamorgan Junior High Schools Choir: part one. Beethoven (overture Leonora, No 3): Concerto). 9.36 Six Continents: Angus McDermid with foreign redio broadcasts.

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9.50 Concernpert two. Bertoz † Ts Deum, Op 22). 10.40 From a Diarry Ronald Pickup reads the work by Igor Pomerantsev. 11.00 Chamber Music from

Manchesier: Peter Noke and Helen Knzos (pianos). Saint-Saens (Variations on a theme of Beethoven. Op 35): Rachmaninov (Symphonic Dances, Op 45) 11.57 News. 12.00 Closedown.

VHF only:Open University. From 6.35am to 6.55. Open Forum:Students' Magazine.

Radio 2 News on the hour (except 9.00pm). Headlines 5.30em, 6.30, 7.30 and 8.30. Sports Desks 1.05pm, 2.02, 3.62, 4.02, 5.05, 6.02, 6.45 (mf only), 9.55. 4.00em Colin Berry [s) 6.00 Ray Moore (s) 8.05 Ken Bruce (s) 10.30 Jimmy Young (s) 1.05pm David Jacobs [s) 2.00 Gloria Hunniford (s) [phone-in] 3.30 Music All The Way (s) 4.00 David Hamilton (s) 6.00 John Dunn (s) Incl at 6.45 (mf only) Sport and Classified Results 8.00 Syd Lawrence (s) 8.45 Big Band Special (s) 9.15 Listen To The Band (Band of The Grenadier Guards) [s] 9.55 Sports Desk 10.00 it's A Funny Buainess. Mika Craig with Tom Mannard. 10.30 Hubert Gregg says Thanks for the Memory 11.00 Brian Matthew (stereo from midright) 1.00am Chertes Nove (s) 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music [a].

Radio 1 News on the half-hour from 6.30am until 9.30pm and at 12.00 midnight. 6.60am Adrian John

midnight. 5.00am Adrian John 7.30 Mike Read 9.30 Smon Bates 12.30pm Newsbeat (Frank Partindge) 12.45 Gary Davies 3.00 Steve Wright 5.30 Newsbeat (Frank Partindge) 5.45 Bruno Brookes 7.30 Janice Long 10.00-12.00 John Peel (s) VHF Radios 1 8 2 4.00am As Radio 2 10.00 As Radio 1 12.00-4.00am As Radio 2

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The World Today 3.00 Journey Through
Heaven 4.00 Newsdesk 4.30 Classical
Record Review 5.45 The World Today WORLD SERVICE

11.05 The Comic Strip Presents: Slags, 11.40 it's a long way from Tipperary and Armagh, 12.40

> CENTRAL As London ex-thing to Tressura. 1.20 Central News. 1.30 Scarecrow and Mrs King. 3.25 Central News. 5.15 Off the Rack. 6.00 Crossroads. 5.25 Central News. 12.25am 6.25 Central News, 12.25am Film: Death Stalk (1975). 1.45

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Thing, 1.20 North News, 3.25
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News headlines and weather, 12.30

TVS As London except 9.25-9.30 TVS Outlook. 1.20 TVS News. 3.27 TVS News followed by The Young Doctors. 5.12-5.15 TVS News headlines. 6.00-6.35 Coast to Coast. 12.25am Company.

HTV WEST As London ex-cept: 1.20 HTV News. 1.30 Hart to Hart, 3.25 HTV News. 5.15-6.45 Survival. 6.90-6.35 HTV News. 12.25am

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sees Granada as Britain's best

By David Hewson and Patricia Clough

went on the air in May 1956, is regarded in international televisioo circles as Britain's foremost commercial television eompaoy, helyiog ITV's down-market audience-grab-

Granada Televisioo began breaking new ground in politi-cal reporting in 1958 when it covered the Rochdale byelection, the first to be shown on British television. It then went oo to give the first dayby-day coverage of party con-

It pioneered TV investigative reporting when it began hosting the World in Action in 1963 - a show which went on to bring it both trouble and

In 1959, it started screening science programmes for sixth form school students.

or imagining that the soap opera, dedicated to the daily lives of ordinary folk, would become its longest-running success. The popular serial is now in its 26th year.

But for the company, the early days were difficult financially, as they were for all independent television companies whose advertising did nol rise to meet expectations. Based in Manchester, the company went on the air Lord Olivier, who is married under a cootract to serve the to Mr Plowright's sister, acnorth of England five days a tress Joan Plowright, has had a week. It later switched to a working relationship with seven-day-a-week contract for Granada since the 1960s.

over by Yorkshire Television. Last month, talks between Granada Televisioo and Ladbrokes on a possible merger or cooperation ended without agreement or regret. Granada now remains the only independent televisioo company to have survived since the 1950s in its present

It is regarded by many, particularly in the United States, as superior to the BBC for some of its programmes, two of which, Brideshead Revisited and The Jewel in the Crown, have become Britain's greatest international television successes of the 1980s. Both serials earned international Emmy awards.

The company has a long track record of producing quality drama for general Coronation Street was quality drama for general launched in 1960 without consumption as a matter of Granada Televisioo knowing policy.

Much of the credit for its recent successes has been attributed to its chairman, Sir Denis Forman, and its manag-ing director, Mr David

Plowright. Lord Olivier made his first Shakespearean production for television in Granada's King Lear. The production, first seen on Channel Four at Easter 1983, has since won many international awards.

Rank makes £740m offer for Granada

Continued from page 1 through Butlin's and its share yesterday: "We would need to of Cal Air, formerly British be assured that there would be Caledonian Airways.

But one possible snag for Rank could be the Granada television contract. Any change of ownership has to win approval from the Independent Broadcasting Authority. Rank owns Pinewood Studios and the Odeon and

no change in the nature of the

dictably rejected the bid yes-terday. He said the offer had no logie and he knocked down Rank's plans for selling holidays in television shops. " I

Television world Merger will father a leisure megagiant

Rank Organisation's £740 million offer for Granada - the latest city megabid - will, if successful, create a huge leisure and entertainments em-Granada Television, which the north-west. The north- pire offering a "cradle to eastern area was then taken grave" service embracing television, video, cinema bingo, holidays, and catering. The combined group will employ around 35,000 workers and boast profits of more than £200 million.

> The bid has pitted two distinctly different management styles against each other. On the one hand there is the new, tough professional team at Rank headed by Sir Patrick Meaney and his right-hand man, the chief executive Mr Michael Gifford, brought in by the city institutions when Rank produced a string of disappointing results three years ago.

On the other, Mr Alex Bernstein, the head of Granada, represents the third generation of Bernsteins and is likely to put np fierce resistance to prevent the end of the dynasty.

Granada

TV rental: Granada has a strong high street presence Mo through 650 television rental es. shops. Since it took over Rediffusion nearly two years ago, the two chains have been merged and the Rediffusion name has now disappeared along with some 150 shops. The combined group now has two million customer ac-The merger turned Granada

into the largest single rental brand in the country.It also offers customers the chance to buy sets, as many oow prefer. Usually these are Granadabranded products, but in Scot-



Anthony Andrews and Jeremy Irons (Brideshead Revisited); Charles Dance with Geraldine James (Jewel in the Crown).

tures of Sherlock, The Brothers McGregor and other success-

These programmes have increased Granada's already strong reputation, backed by documentaries such as World in Action, and Channel 4 contributions including End of Empire and What The Papers Say.

Many of the programmes, notably Coronation Street, have sold successfully overseas. Last year Granada sold 3,300 hours of televison to 79 countries. M-way services: With 13 mo-

torway service areas, Granada Mr Bernstein's board pre-ictably rejected the bid yes-experimenting with other country, serving 50 million manufacturers' television sets. customers annually. Last year TV programmes: The Jewel in it opened a new service area at the Crown, a Granada Ferrybridge, on the junction Televison production, has re-of the M62 and A1, and this Gaumont cinema ehain and any conflict of interest appears our customers should want to go to Butlio's".

can't think of any reason why any conflict of interest appears our customers should want to go to Butlio's".

ceived huge acclaim all over the world. More recently Granada has produced The Advenage and Newbury.

As well as the usual array of canteens, shops and petrol services, the new areas will include small hotels, designed for weary drivers, whether they are travelling on husiness or with their families.

Profits from this business are growing fast but the cur-rent spate of new sites should help continue the momentum. Bingo clubs: Since the beginning of last year Granada has acquired 12 bingo clubs, taking the total operated in the Granada Theatre divisoo to 52. In Morecombe it opened a £1 million-plus, purpose-built club to replace the original building destroyed by floods in 1983.

Another club was opened at Ilford, on the site of a former, cinema, at a cost of £750,000. In addition two clubs were refurbished to provide the latest in bingo technology. This spring sees the start of

a national bingo game, involving a nightly national prize of a nightly national prize of a nightly national prizes of £50,000 and regional prizes of £10,000. This should attract Red. more participaots to Granada's clubs. In addition The Odeon and Gaumont cinema chains have been enthe Odeon cinemas are drawjoying buoyant times with

Violet Carson as Mrs Sharples in Coronation Street

ing new audiances. Masic publishing: The division's current claim to fame is that it holds the exclusive rights to Andrew LLoyd Webber's Requiem for the United Kingdom, Ireland and Europe. The company is also the sole sales agent for G Schirmer, a major American music publisher.

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Helidays: Rank elaims to be

Rank's empire Films: Rank's film and televi-

sion business is known being spent on the Minehead throughout the world. Ten centre with a new indoor major film productions were handled at Pinewood Studios last year including the latest James Bond, A View to a Kill.

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merly British Caledonian Airways, caravan parks, leisure hotels, marinas, and a string of bingo clubs which are expect-ed to benefit from a change in the law allowing a daily prize of £50,000.

Hotels: The group owne a number of top-rate London botels, including the Royal Lancaster, which have done well from the increase in tourism of the last few years. & Much has been speot 00 improving their standards.

At the Gloucester Hotel a new 500 seat conference and banqueting suite have been built, while at other hotels improvements are taking place at restaurants, bars and public areas.

M-way services:Rank operates 19 motorway service areas including the Aust on the M4 overlooking the Severn Bridge, where a new caseteria restaurant, shop and transport drivers' club have been

opened. High-tech:Rank Precision Industries fails to attract the spotlight but remains a significant part of the group. The business provides a range of high tech equipment sold to television companies around

Rank Cintel is a leading supplier of telecine equipment used for the conversion of images on motion picture film to electronic oignals. It has just launched a new range of video equipment which enables instored and remotely accessed. Another company io the division makes meteorologi-

cal instruments.

Xerox:One of the mainstays of the group for years has been its stake in Rank Xerox, the photocopier associate. Last year, for the first time in 20 years, Rank succeeded in admissions up by 48 per cent A lesser known side of the earning more profits from its business is the film processing other activities than from its operation which recently won a Queen's Award for Technishareholding in the Xerox machines.

This has come as welcome relief, particularly as the marthe biggest UK holiday operaketplace grows increasingly tor handling two million tough for photocopier firms. bookings a year.

It owns Butlin's, which is spending heavily on improv-Overseas: In the United States Rank has started work on a major leisure project at Myrtle ing its facilities for holiday-Beach, South Carolina, a fast makers. About £10 million is growing holiday and recreation area, involving building of a hotel, apartment water leisure complex, cabaret blocks, and villas.

bar and deluxe accommoda-It also runs a specialist lighting company Rank also owns 50 per cent

High Tides

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements The Princess of Wales, President. Dr. Barnardo's, visits the Druids Heath Centre, Stonnall Road, Walsall, 10.45; and later, as President. The British Deaf Association, opens 8 hostel for deal, homeless people of the Caldmore Area Housing Associ-ation, Caldmore Green, Walsall,

Princess Alice. Duchess of Gloucester, attends the annual Election Court Service of the Fanmakers's Company, St. Botolph's Church, 6; followed Brides Fleet Street Choir and Fanmakers's Company, St. Botolph's Church, 6; followed by a reception, St. Botolph's Hall, Bishopsgate.

The Duke of Kent, Vice Chairman, the British Overseas.

rade Board, visits Wayne Kerr, gnor Regis, 11.30; and later visits Dando Drilling Systems, Wharf Road, Little Hampton,

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path to succes; The Design
Centre, 28 Haymarket, SW1; 10

Soloists, 6.30, St. Brides Church, Fleet Street Trinity College of Music

Chamber Orchestra, St. James's, Piccadilly, 7.30. Piano recital by Misha Dichter. 1; Concert by the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, 7.45, Barbican Hall.

the Daily Star Gold Star St. Olave, Hart St. 1.05. - Bach and his contempor organ recital by Ric Bach and his contemporaries:
organ recital by Richard
Townend, St. Margaret,
Lothbury, L.10.
Recital by the Calmus Trio, St. Margaret Pattens Church, EC3, 1.10.

Music
Recital by John Potter (tenor)
and Trevor Hold (piano);
Belvoir Room Charles Wilson
Building, Leicester University,
1.10.
Concert by the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra,
Birmingham Town Hall, 7.30,
Recital by the Medici String
Quartet, St. Martin-io-theFields, Trafalgar Square, 7.30. Student early music society, Guildhall School of Music and

Talks, lectures, films Collectors & Collections -Whal are the Criteria? by Mary Regan. John Hansard Gallery, The University, Southampton, 7.30.

The Middle East, by Sir Anthony Parsons, Liskeard Public Rooms, 7. Charles t and the ruin of the British monarchy, by Dr. J.S. Morrill, Room 141, Elvet River-The Duchess of Kent presents | Piano recital by Nina Sereda, side Lecture Rooms, (Stage II), New Elver, Durham University, The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16.973

6.15. The National Gallery - Ac-

wall Terrace, NW1, 5.
Mind the gap, by Linbert Spencer, St. James's Church, Piccadilly, 1.05. Typology, by Charles Hope, Warburg Institute, Woburn Sq, WC1, 5.30. The East Anglian period of manuscript painting, 12.30; Medieval Apocalypses, 2. by Penclope Wallis, Seminar Room, Brilish Library galleries,

Room. Brilish Library galleries, Great Russel St.

The Role of the Observer in Science, by Prof R.L. Gregory, Large Lecture Theatre. Physics Poynting Building, Birmingham University of 11.

Genius, talent and failure: The Bronte family, by Christopher Fry, The Great Hall, Strand Campus, WC2, 5.30.

Francis Hayman and Vauxhall gardens, by Brian Allen, The Art Workers Guild, 6 Queen Square, WC1, 7.30.

Edinburgh's Colonies by

Edinburgh's Colonies by Rosemary J. Pipes, William Robertson Building (Room 8) George Sq. Edinburgh, 7.15. Five Faces of the Church, by The Rev Ivor Smith-Cameron; Essex University, Colchester.1. Joseph Wright, painter of industry, by David Fraser, The National Gallery, Trafalgar Sq.

Fashioo Revivals, by Dr Jen ifer Harris, The Whitworth Art Gallery, Manchester, 1. The United Kingdom Search and Rescue Organisation, by Lt Cdr H.J. Neill, RAF Club, 128 Piccadilly, W1. 3.30.

My faith and contemporary life, by Cardinal Basil Hume, 24 Like 8 Scotsman or an In-Archhishop of Westminster, S Lawrence Jewry, Guildhall, 1.15.

> Parliament today Commons (2.30): Debates on Opposition motions on strategic defence initiative and on treatment of private tenants. Lords (2.30): Debate on eco nomic situation.

Tower Bridge Tower Bridge will be lifted

The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week A Stillness Heard Round The World, The End of the Great War: November 1918, by Stanley Weintraub (Alien & Urwin, £18.95)
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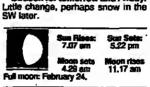
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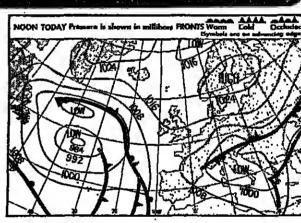
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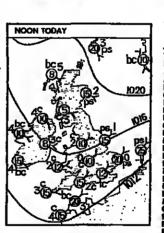
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